

# Cochrane & Area Humane Society



Summer 2011  
Newsletter

## Volunteer of the Quarter

Our Volunteer of the Quarter is Monette Sweeney. Monette has been an asset to the shelter, both inside and out! She is one of our fabulous dog walkers who come out to walk our canine residents rain, snow or shine. She is reliable and caring, spending hours every week with our dogs ensuring that they receive love and attention as well as much needed exercise. Monette also helps with our events; she joined the Gala Committee just two months before event day and really stepped up to the plate! She was extremely helpful in soliciting items for the auctions as well as helping out on event day. We are so pleased that Monette has also recently joined our Event Committee and we are looking forward to working with her further on our great events!

Thank you Monette for all that you do!

*Karla Bennett, Volunteer Coordinator*

10th Annual

## MUTT STRUT



Photo by Smokey Seidel

**SATURDAY SEPT. 10TH, 9AM - 1PM**

**Register & Start Collecting Pledges!**

[www.cochranehumane.ca](http://www.cochranehumane.ca)

## 2012 Calendar



Photo by Ewan Nicholson

**On Sale in September!**

Buy Some... Sell Some... Help Animals!

## Shelter & Society News and Events

### Special Thanks To...

*Oil City Press*

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*Global TV Calgary for "Pet of the Month"*

*The Cochrane Eagle*

*Pet Planet Cochrane, Brentwood & Country Hills*

*United Way Donor Choice Program*

*Here's the Scoop Airdrie*

*Delta Lodge Kananaskis*

*Pro H2O*

*Super Save Disposal (Alberta) Ltd.*

### CAHS Scholarships



Congratulations to Alison Fyfe and Joel Smith as the deserving recipients of this year's CAHS \$1,000 scholarships! Winners are chosen for their significant volunteer contribution at the shelter and their interest in pursuing a career in the fields of animal care, health or medicine. Scholarships are awarded to Grade 12 students from Cochrane or Morley schools. These scholarships are made possible through a very generous donor - Thank-you!

### Helping Our Animals!

Lead by a very compassionate young lady, Megan McLeod, the Jumping Pound Beef 4H Club raised both funds and awareness for the CAHS. On June 18, several members from the club came to the shelter for a tour and to present a cheque for \$2,200. They also donated Canadian Tire money and a variety of animal supplies. Thank-you to those caring Club members for their generous support!



### Humane Classroom of the Year Awards

The CAHS is very pleased to present it's Humane Classroom of the Year Awards to Terri White's Grade 7/8 leadership students at Manachaban Middle School and Sarah

Chung's Grade 6 French Immersion class at Springbank Middle School for their efforts in fundraising and creating awareness for the animals at the shelter. These students all showed amazing compassion and a true interest in promoting the well-being of animals!

### Boot Camp - A Handler's Perspective

When I first learned about the Boot Camps conducted by the shelter, I thought they sounded like a great idea, but I didn't think I could handle the time commitment plus all the extra driving (I live about 40 minutes away). But after being at the shelter a while, I realized that the Boot Camps are probably the most important thing we can do to help get dogs adopted. Many of the dogs spend a long time at the shelter and behaviour problems can develop over time. They sometimes come to us with issues such as fearfulness or hyperactivity. The Boot Camps teach basic skills and help the dogs overcome their issues, making them much more attractive to potential adopters. This could mean the difference between a dog going home or not.



There is no greater reward than to see "your" dog go home after four short, but intensive, weeks of training. It truly makes all the time and effort worthwhile, plus you gain training experience and knowledge that you can apply to other shelter dogs as well as your own dogs.

I encourage all volunteers to consider signing up for a Boot Camp in the future. You won't regret it. I sure didn't!

*Sue Allen*

## Volunteer!

We are seeking committed volunteers for:

- Evening Cat Care
- Evening Dog Care
- Laundry
- Dog Walking
- Videography
- Videography Assistant

Call 403-932-2072 ext 105 or email [volunteer@cochranehumane.ca](mailto:volunteer@cochranehumane.ca).



## Mutt Strut

Join us for the 10th Annual Mutt Strut at Mitford Park in Cochrane on Saturday September 10th, from 9am-1pm! Collect pledges, win great prizes, raise money for the shelter and join this fun walk for dogs along the beautiful river pathways in Cochrane! It's never too early - Register and start collecting pledges today at [www.cochranehumane.ca](http://www.cochranehumane.ca)! The Mutt Strut is proudly brought to you by the Cochrane & Area Humane Society and Cochrane Veterinary Care Clinic. Our 2012 Calendars will be available at the Mutt Strut – be the first to pick one up!

## Golf Tournament

The 8th Annual Golf Classic is almost sold out!! This fun golf tournament is being held August 15th at the Links of GlenEagles and will feature 18 holes of golf on the beautiful Links of GlenEagles Golf Course, a power cart, dinner and live and silent auctions at the Terrace of GlenEagles. There will be great prizes and a chance to demonstrate your skills in a putting contest.

Thank you to our Golf Sponsors:

ATB Financial                      Encana                      IAMS

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Cochrane IGA

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## Fall Book Sale

Looking for a great read to curl up by the fire with this winter? Our Fall Book Sale has been extended and will run October 18th - 22nd from noon until 5pm daily. A wide selection of new releases, true crime, romance, children's books, cook books, biographies, books about pets, travel books, DVDs, VHS, and CDs will be available. Book donations will be accepted starting October 6th.

## Pet-i-Cure Fundraiser

Our July Peticure was another success! We had 44 animals come by the shelter to get their nails trimmed and raised over \$650. Mark your calendars, the next Peticure is Saturday November 19th from 1-4pm! We look forward to seeing you there!

Our Pet-i-Cure events are generously sponsored by Arrowhead Veterinary Center.

## Saving Lives - Changing Lives Gala Featuring Aaron Lines

The 7th Annual Saving Lives – Changing Lives Gala was a great success, raising over \$42,000 for the shelter's operations! Thanks to the generous contribution of our lead sponsor, ATB Financial, and our other sponsors, Gunnar Office Furnishings and Deloitte, every penny will go towards the care of lost, unwanted or surrendered animals!

This year's Gala was enjoyed by over 200 guests who were treated to a classy country setting, delicious buffet dinner, exciting live and silent auctions, and featured the most played artist on Canadian country radio from 2000-2010, Aaron Lines, who performed two wonderful acoustic sets for the crowd. As guests arrived at the Bragg Creek Center, they enjoyed cocktails and started bidding on the wide variety of silent auction items while listening to musical entertainment provided by local talent Robbie Aylesworth. Leslie Horton from Global Calgary, hosted the evening, and guests were delighted to dance the night away to the unique vibes of The Coachmen. We have received very positive feedback from the event attendees! Thank you to everyone who attended and helped out with this year's Gala!

# Norm's Nook

## Saving Lives Pet Supplies

- Toys
- Harnesses
- Treats
- Training Supplies
- Leashes
- Accessories
- Collars



Cochrane & Area Humane Society  
 62 Griffin Industrial Point, Cochrane, AB  
 Hours: Tues. & Fri. 12 - 2:30 & 3 - 7:30pm  
 Wed. & Thurs. 12 - 2:30 & 3 - 5:30pm  
 Sat. 12 - 5:30pm

*Where every penny spent helps to save lives!*

## TRAINING...

at the Cochrane & Area Humane Society



*The Best Gift You Can Give Your Dog*

Classes include: Obedience, Puppy, Agility, Puppy Play Dates, Private & Semi-Private.

To register call (403) 932-2072 ext 110 or visit [www.cochranehumane.ca](http://www.cochranehumane.ca)

## Wish List

- Dry dental care dog and cat food
- Non-clumping cat litter
- Kongs (Large - Extra Large)
- Dog crates new and used
- Washable cat toys
- Clean bedding or towels
- Washable pet beds
- Exercise pens
- Photocopy paper
- #10 window envelopes
- Large Costco garbage bags
- Postage stamps

## Did you know....

*that you can start planning today to help animals in the future?*

Ask us about

- Bequests
- Life Insurance
- Retirement Plan Assets
- Shares/Securities
- Property/Real Estate



Call 403-932-2072 ext 102 to discuss Gift Planning Options

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## Summer Day Camp

For 7 - 10 year olds who love animals!



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## 2011 Shelter Stats (as at July 14, 2011)

Dogs reunited with owners	57	Cats reunited with owners	6
Dogs adopted out	168	Cats adopted out	170
Dogs at shelter	29	Cats at shelter	61
Dogs in foster homes	13	Cats in foster homes	9
Dogs humanely euthanized for health or behaviour	13	Cats humanely euthanized for health or behaviour	47
Dogs died of illness	0	Cats died of illness	0
Dogs humanely euthanized due to lack of space	0	Cats humanely euthanized due to lack of space	0
Other Animals (rabbits, rodents, birds, etc)	14	Total Animals Year to Date (Jan. 1 - July 14, 2011)	589

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Hours of Operation:  
 Tues. & Fri.: 12-2:30 & 3-7:30  
 Wed. & Thurs.: 12-2:30 & 3-5:30  
 Sat.: 12-5:30  
 Sun., Mon. & Holidays: Closed