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EXCITING NEWS BY DEBBIE FLOYD

The Ivy Tech state and regional boards of trustees recently approved the purchase of the Doughmakers Building at 1650 East Industrial Drive on U.S. 41. The Ivy Tech Foundation has now finalized that process by purchasing the facility, which it will then lease to the college. Doughmakers is a 49,607 square foot facility on over 8 acres of the 1500 acre Industrial Park on U.S. 41. It is near Ivy Tech's Center for Workforce Development, which is also in the Park.

Benefitting from the expanded space, the College is exploring a number of new educational and training opportunities consistent with current local workforce demands including veterinary technician services, animal-assisted therapy, kennel management, and grooming. As a part of the College's exploration, Ivy Tech and the Terre Haute Humane Society have started preliminary discussions to see if there are ways that the organizations can collaborate that will be mutually beneficial.

"When Ivy Tech asked if we would consider talking to them about the

possibilities of us working with them to explore partnership opportunities, we didn't hesitate. We are looking forward to continued discussions with Ivy Tech and how together we might be able to provide the best services and support for our community. A larger building would allow us to better serve the community as well as provide a better quality of Life for the animals housed at THHS. The proposed new facility would have newer equipment, a new and better ventilation system, cutting down on air borne diseases and as a result reduce healthcare costs. The animals would be healthier and less stressed. This would make them more adoptable as pets, and more desirable to rescues. A newer and larger building would provide a better workplace for employees and volunteers. Partnering with Ivy Tech would allow us to enjoy help from students, instructors, veterinarians and other health care resources we currently do not have access to.

We would "give back" to

Ivy Tech by providing the animals needed to help students learn."

Ivy Tech Community College is the state's largest public post-secondary institution and the nation's largest singly accredited state-wide community college system serving nearly 200,000 students annually. Ivy Tech has campuses throughout Indiana. It serves as the state's engine of workforce development, offering affordable degree programs and training that are aligned with the needs of its community along with courses and programs that transfer to other colleges and universities in Indiana. It is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association. Ivy Tech is a well respected organization and it is a complement to Terre Haute Humane Society to be asked to partner with them.

If the move occurs the Terre Haute Humane Society hopes to move into the new building in 2013 marking our 100 year anniversary.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

There are several events coming in 2012. Please mark your calendars now and be sure to attend these exciting events that benefit THHS.

Annual Telethon— Thursday, April 19, Honey Creek Mall, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Longenberger Bingo—Tuesday, April 24, VFW at 12th and Mulberry, the doors open at 5:00 p.m. and bingo begins at 6:30 p.m.

Bark in the Park—August, Fairbanks Park, date to be announced

Dream Auction—Saturday, September 22, Idle Creek, Cattails 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Board Meetings— Vigo County Library, 5:30, March 20, April 17, May 15

Volunteer Orientation— THHS, 1—3, Fourth Saturday of each month: March 24, April 28, May 26

Petsmart Adoption Events, March 3, April 7, May 5

Mutts at the Mall, Honey Creek Mall, 12-3, Third weekend of each month: March 17—18, April 21—22, May 19—20

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"Until he extends the circle of his compassion to all living things, man himself will not find peace." - Albert Schweitzer

SHELTER SPOTLIGHT

DID YOU KNOW THAT

THHS IS A PRIVATE

ORGANIZATION, NOT A

CITY OR COUNTY

SHELTER? WE EXIST

SOLELY ON ADOPTION

AND OWNER

RELINQUISH FEES AND

YOUR GENEROUS

GIVING OF MONEY, TIME

AND TALENT.

Donate!

VOLUNTEER!

ADOPT!

Jessica Hoffman (pictured here with her dog, Malik), B.S. and M.L.D., was recently named the new Operations Manager of the Terre Haute Humane Society. Jessica has been a volunteer at THHS for over two years. Before she started working for the Terre Haute Humane Society her volunteer position was the Quality of Life team lead. She worked in mental health for seven years prior to this position. Jessica received both a Bachelor of Science degree from Indiana State University in 2007 and a Masters in Leadership Development from Saint Mary of the

Woods College in September 2011. As her culminating project for her Master's Degree she wrote a business plan for a pit bull rescue. She has high hopes to start an animal rescue of her own in the future.

Jessica is looking forward to being able to work closely with the board of directors to increase awareness about the THHS in the community. Her goals include: increasing awareness of THHS needs, increasing adoptions, and increasing sponsors in the community. She also hopes to put initiatives in place that will ensure the long-term sustainability of the organization.

Jessica currently has four dogs—Malik, a husky/pit bull mix; Bo-Bo; Wrigley, a Golden Doodle; and Zed-dicus, a German Shepherd puppy. She also fosters dogs.



SHELTER WISH LIST

The shelter is always in need of items to help the animals. Please look around and see if you can provide any of these!

- Cat Litter
- Capstar/Frontline flea medication
- Science Diet canned puppy and kitten food
- Bleach
- Liquid laundry soap
- Terry cloth bath towels (new or used)
- Sturdy cat and dog toys (Kongs and nyla-bones are great)

- New office supplies
- Gift cards (Wal-mart, gas, pet stores, etc.)
- Ammonia

Money is always appreciated

You will notice that several of these items can be new or used. What a great way to recycle!

Also, the shelter can use your used printer cartridges to recycle for office supplies. Please bring them to the

shelter.

The shelter feeds Hills Science Diet.

If you would like to donate your time the following positions are needed:

- Foster homes
- Grant writers
- Fundraisers
- Individuals willing to be trained as adoption counselors

Contact the shelter if interested!

SHELTER HOURS:

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY:

12:00 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND MON-

DAY: 12:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

2011 SHELTER STATISTICS

2011 was another great year for the rescue efforts of the shelter. Of the 2,586 animals brought into the shelter, 92% or 2,380 were saved. According to the ASPCA website, the national average of animals saved is 40% for dogs and 30% for cats. Based on these statistics THHS is doing a wonderful job of helping the animals in this community.

The animals coming into THHS during 2011 came from the following sources:

- 15% were brought in by city animal control
- 9% were brought in by county animal control
- 45% were received from individuals as strays
- 13% were owner relinquished
- 8% were simply left at the shelter
- 5% were returned after being adopted

The statistics of the animals saved were as follows:

- 45% were adopted
- 11% were returned to owners
- 44% were sent to rescue.

You can help with these efforts by renewing your THHS membership, donating your time and money, and remembering to spay/neuter your pet!



Need a new tag for your pet? Send an email to webmaster@thhs.org and tell us which tag you want and what you want on it! The tags only cost \$5 and all proceeds go right back to THHS!

TIME TO WALK

Many people start out the year with New Year's resolutions. Many of those include trying to get into shape. If that is you, we have an idea to help you with your resolution. If that isn't you, we have an idea for you anyway.

TAKE A DOG FOR A WALK!!!!!!

Now this article isn't about any dog (even though your own dog will love it if you go with them) we are talking about taking one of the lovable dogs at the shelter on an outing.

A group has been meeting two times a week to walk the dogs living at the shelter. They currently meet at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday and 5:00 p.m. (after April 1, 6:00 p.m.) on Wednesdays. They meet 30 minutes before these times at the shelter to select a dog and travel to Deming Park. This does several things for the dogs. It gives them exercise that they can't get in the kennel or even running in the outside yards. They also get to socialize with other dogs and people which is beneficial in helping them to find new homes. This also gives the volunteers a chance to walk with other dog-lovers and a chance to see the dogs in a different environment. They also get to enjoy some exercise and some fresh air.

If you can't make it when the dog walkers meet, volunteers are always needed to take the dogs out to exercise at the shelter. The Quality of Life team is always in need of new members. The members of this team work with the dogs at the shelter by interacting with them and taking them outside to run in the fenced in areas. Members are trained at the orientation sessions held the last Saturday of the month so they know how best to handle the dogs.

Several months ago new fences were obtained from a community match fundraiser in which more than half of the money was received from donations from the community (a **big thank you** to all who donated) and the remainder was from a grant. These fences are higher and much sturdier than the original fences. They provide a wonderful, safe area for the dogs to exercise. Come by some time to see them! If you have the time, take the training so you can provide a loving animal some outside playtime. The joy on their faces will show you how much it means to them!

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

There are many ways that you can support the shelter.

One very important way to help is to join or (if you are already a member) to renew your membership to the shelter. Don't forget—Your shelter membership is for one year and needs to be renewed annually. Please send in your dues to help the shelter with the important mission of serving the animals of this area! Plus if you have a dog but no yard to play in, or if you want your pooch to make new friends, try out our Dog Park! Free to use with your \$25 THHS Membership! You can also check out our THHS Dog Park Pals group to meet up with new friends! <http://on.fb.me/yIhcLk>

There are also several items available at the shelter that can be purchased to help spread the word on the shelter's mission. You can buy t-shirts for \$20 that are available in several different colors. There are also wrist bands that say "THHS—2nd Chances Last Forever". A membership or donation to the shelter is always the perfect gift for that person that has everything. There are also Downtown Discount Cards for sale through the shelter.

Please remember the shelter when you are shopping for that perfect gift for the animal lovers in your life!

THHS ON THE WEB

This post was from FaceBook on January 28. It says it all...it is a whole team that makes this happen. Thanks to all of you !

What a GREAT day at the shelter!!! Today we had over 50 new volunteers attend our volunteer orientation. We had some really wonderful adoptions this week. They include: Finnius, Mighty Joe, Ripley and Hercules. Finnius, Ripley and Hercules are all HW (heart worm) positive dogs that we will be treating. However, they get to go home while we wait for their treatment. These are dogs who wouldn't have had a chance. We (staff, board members, volunteers, and supporters) make miracles happen. A big thank you to the whole team that facilitate these HUGE miracles and life saving chances.



Ripley has a second chance at a forever home thanks to the work of everyone involved with THHS. See that smile...he is one happy dog!

Terre Haute Humane Society
1811 South Fruitridge Avenue
Terre Haute, IN 47803

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US Postage
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Permit No.59
Terre Haute, IN



...kindness towards all living things!



Kallista is a small, short hair female who is ready to go home. Her vaccines are up to date.

Phone: 812-232-0293
E-mail: adopt@thhs.org
<http://www.thhs.org>

**...KINDNESS
TOWARDS ALL LIVING
THINGS!**

The Terre Haute Humane Society was incorporated in 1913. The objective of the society at that time was to prevent cruelty to children and animals. Although the scope of our problems today are far different than in 1913, the goal remains the same. At that time there was little mention of dogs and cats, the focus was the neglect and abuse of beasts of burden.

As we approach 100 years of service to the Wabash Valley, we look forward to our continuing success in reducing the number of animals coming into the shelter and placing every adoptable animal we encounter into loving forever homes!

THHS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION-DONATION FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

I am enclosing my yearly membership fee of \$25.00 _____

I am enclosing a donation of \$ _____ for _____

We welcome your pledge to feed an animal for a month!

Feed a dog for a month \$40 _____ Feed a cat for a month \$35 _____

Dog park membership (located directly behind the shelter) \$25/yr _____

All donations are tax deductible. We exist solely on donations, adoption fees and memberships. THANK YOU! WE NEED YOU!