

FURRY FRIENDS

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Menu BARBEQUE FUNDRAISER

Our Annual Barbeque Dinner Fundraiser is just around the corner. We are very excited to be working with *Siegel Cares for Pets Club* again on this event! This year the dinner will be held in the cafeteria of Siegel Middle School on **Tuesday, October 18th, from 5 pm till 8 pm.** The menu consists of: barbeque sandwiches, baked beans, coleslaw, chips, softdrinks, and dessert.

The price is \$8 pre-sale or \$10 at the door. There will be a silent auction

again this year and music by Gay & Larry Pinkerton and Chris Shofner. Checks should be made out to the Beesley Foundation. We look forward to seeing you there and thank you for your continued support of the programs provided by Beesley Foundation. For more information or to help sell tickets, call the Foundation office at: 615-217-1030.

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Beesley Foundation provides a better environment for our companion animals by:

- Operating a low-cost spay/neuter clinic
- Providing *Kind News* for local classrooms
- Conducting education programs in schools and community groups that emphasize care, personal safety and the importance of spay/neutering companion animals
- Providing education materials about responsible pet ownership

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CLINIC NEWS

Well, as was mentioned in the last newsletter, we are learning a new computer system. On June 14th and 15th, Amanda Oliver and Kim Browning traveled to Piedmont, MO. to McAllister Software Systems to, so to speak teach old dogs new tricks. We will be using the AVImark Veterinary Management System. This will enable us to have all clients and all of their companion animals in one file. We are still in the process of learning this new system and inputting data daily. We will be up and running by the time we get in our new building. Finally, that seems to be a reality, too!

We want to give a special THANK YOU to our Veterinarians who keep our clinic running smoothly, with the dogs barking and the cats purring: Dr. Donna Steuart, Dr. Debra Burch, and Dr. Paul Newman. All of our staff goes above and beyond what is usually asked of them. THANKS!!

CLINIC NEEDS:

- toilet paper
- rubbing alcohol
- laundry detergent
- Clorox Cleanup
- snack size ziplock bags
- 37 cent stamps
- distilled water (not spring)
- 1" masking tape
- old towels, sheets, and pillow cases
- bleach



SPECIAL NOTES

- This past year, the Foundation began providing reduced costs for these special situations: Rescue Groups, Low Income Pet Owners, and Feral Cat Caretakers. If you would like your donation to support one of these causes, please indicate so on your contribution card.



Animal Educational Briefs



The leaves are changing, school is in, and fall is just around the corner! So is Halloween! Though this may be a fun time for people, it can be dangerous for animals. Here are a few tips to keep your furry friend safe so everyone can have a happy holiday:



Pets should not be left unattended outside. Many Halloween pranks involve animals, especially black cats. You might consider keeping your pet in a room away from the door. Though most trick-or-treaters mean well, costumes and strange people can frighten some pets.



Make sure your pet has an identification tag on in case he/she gets loose.



Remember, candy and chocolates are for people. Wrappers, lollipop sticks, and chocolate can be dangerous, if not fatal, to your pet.



As most pets are curious, keep lit pumpkins out of reach to avoid possible fire hazards.



As hard as it is to believe, many pets do not enjoy being dressed in costumes. If you feel it necessary to dress up your furry friend, please make sure it doesn't interfere with your pet's ability to see, breathe, or move.

If you have any questions about your pet's safety, call your local veterinarian. They will be more than happy to provide great advice to keeping your pet safe and healthy. Have a Happy Halloween!

Do you have something you would like to share? Feel free to submit articles or pieces of interest for consideration to:



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OBEDIENCE CLUB TRIALS A SUCCESS

July 16th and 17th saw many people working with their dogs at the Murfreesboro Obedience Club Trials. We at Beesley, were honored to be a part of this event by being able to set up a concession stand for the participants. It was such a thrill to meet so many incredible canine

friends and talk to their humans, finding out so much about different breeds.

We were very excited to have our own Dr. Steuart working as a ring steward.

We thank all of our volunteers who baked or supplied goodies for the event; the volunteers who manned

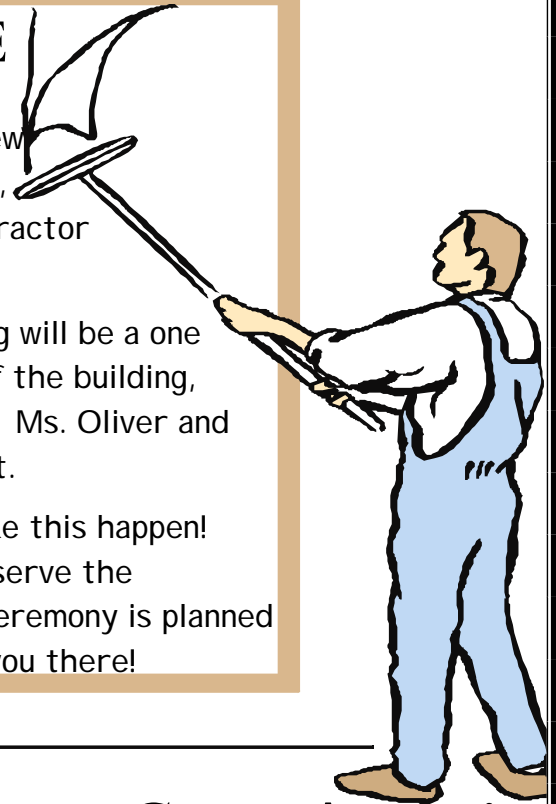
the booth; and the employees who worked so hard to make this happen. Thank you to Donut Country for supplying breakfast for the volunteers who worked the booth and to Dolly Madison for their donation of the buns for the delicious barbeque sandwiches.

NEW BUILDING UPDATE

We are very excited to announce that the property on Keeneland Commercial has now been purchased for the new clinic. This street is located off of Rutherford Boulevard, an easy location for clients. The lot is .9 acres and a contractor has already been selected.

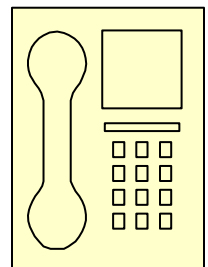
Construction is expected to begin shortly. The building will be a one story brick veneer. If you would like to view a drawing of the building, please check out our web site at www.beesleyhumane.org. Ms. Oliver and Mr. Ketron, Sr. will be the contact people for this project.

We thank all of our supporters who are helping to make this happen! The Beesley Clinic looks forward to being able to better serve the community from this new location. The ground breaking ceremony is planned for October 4th at 2:00 PM. We look forward to seeing you there!



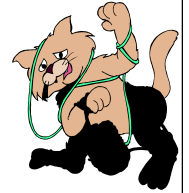
CLASSROOM VISITS ARE JUST A CALL AWAY!

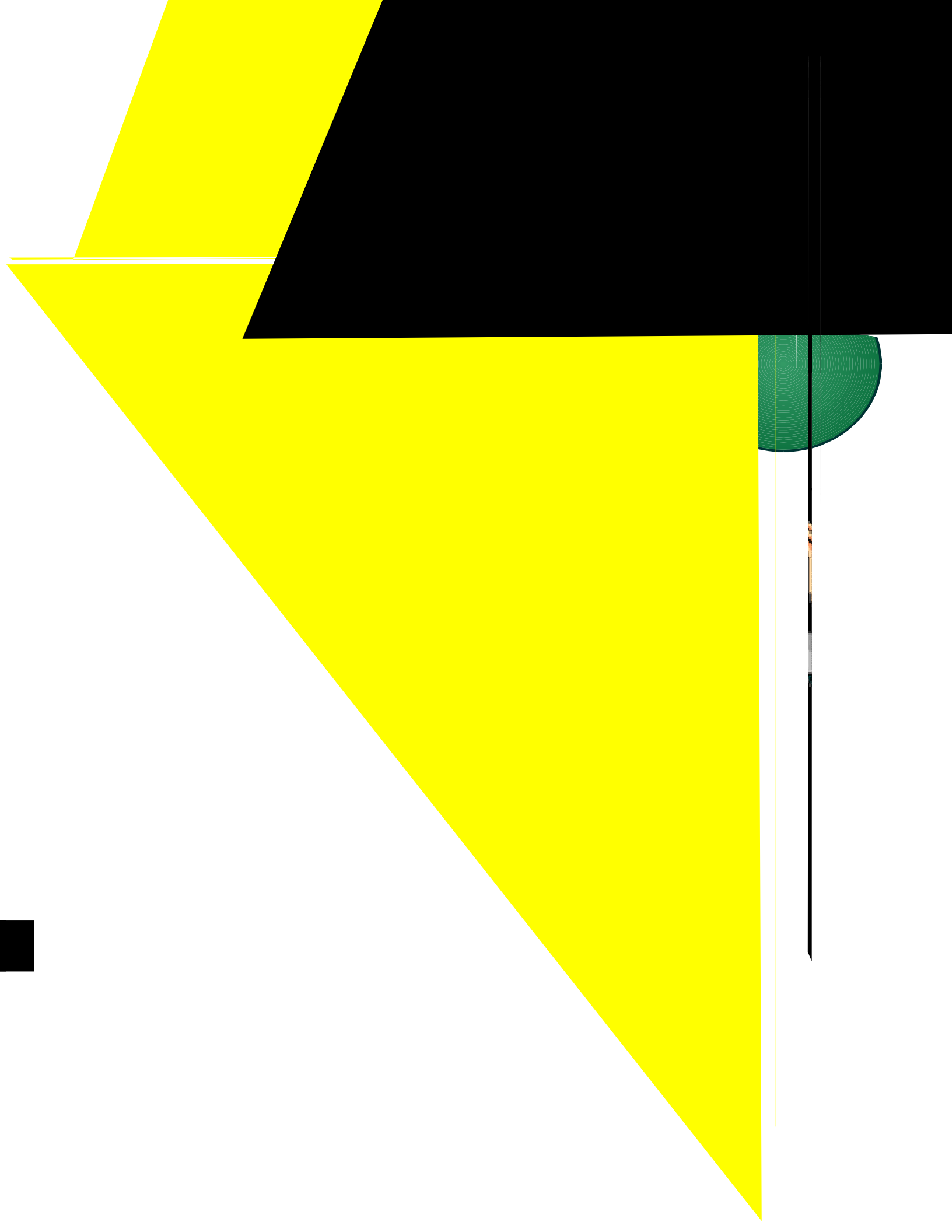
Please call Jane Blakey at 907-3364 if you'd like to schedule a Classroom Visit. Ginny Vesper and her dog Kobi will be happy to visit. We also have videos appropriate for different age groups in case you have a student with allergies or a student with an aversion to dogs. Visits typically last 20-40 minutes.



33 WAYS TO BE KIND TO ANIMALS

1. Never leave your pet alone in a car.
2. Spay or neuter your cat or dog.
3. Adopt pets from an animal shelter.
4. Never kick, hit, or spank a pet.
5. Spend quality time with your pet daily.
6. Use a non-choking collar on your dog or cat.
7. Provide nutritious food and constant fresh water for your pets.
8. Keep chocolate away from your pets; it can be poisonous to them.
9. Take pets for annual health exams and recommended vaccinations.
10. Only provide toys approved for their use.
11. Keep pets away from toxic household chemicals.
12. Make sure they always wear an up-to-date ID tag.
13. Read books as a family about animal care.
14. Quit smoking; secondhand smoke can cause allergies in animals.
15. Provide animals with plenty of exercise.
16. Make sure they have constant access to shade in the summer, heat in the winter, and a place to go that's always dry.
17. Brush your dog's and cat's teeth.
18. Groom your pet often.
19. Never give pets any medicine without a vet's approval.
20. Don't let pets eat string, yarn and rubber bands; they can cause an intestinal blockage.
21. Keep your vet's office and emergency numbers handy.
22. Learn CPR and choking rescue for pets.
23. Volunteer to help care for a busy or elderly neighbor's pet.
24. Be alert when driving to avoid hitting animals.
25. Volunteer at an animal shelter.
26. Buy from companies that don't use animal testing.
27. Report animal abuse to proper authorities.
28. Report injured dogs and cats you find to an animal shelter and injured wildlife to a wildlife rehabilitation center.
29. Pick up litter that might hurt animals.
30. Put up a bird feeder.
31. Never buy anything made from wild animals.
32. Leave all wild animals, including insects, in their natural homes.
33. Plant trees and shrubs in your back yard to make birds and other wildlife feel welcome.





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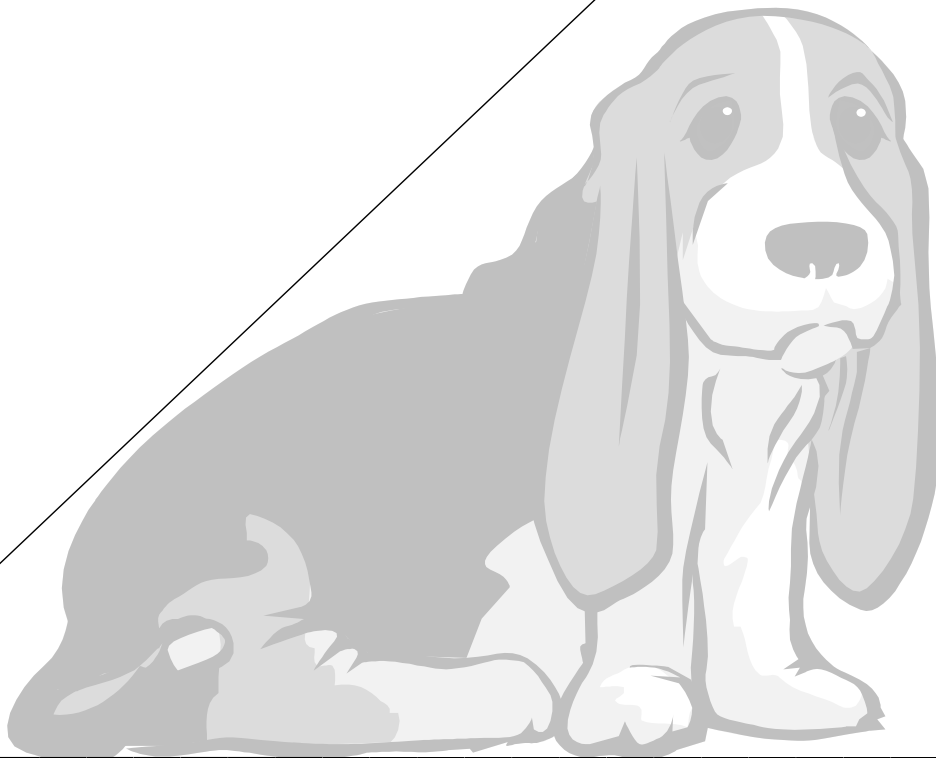
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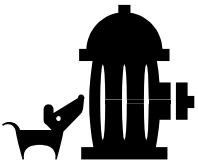
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