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Shelter Update (A new Shelter WILL NOT RAISE TAXES!)

Animal lovers of LaGrange County, the animals of LaGrange County need your HELP NOW! The plans for the new shelter to serve the needs of our county are being stalled.

Unfortunately we have several county officials that do not care what happens to lost and abandoned animals. A few of these people have actually remarked that they are just animals and if we would "kill" them when they are found we could just solve the problem that way. We are appalled at that type of thinking, and feel that most of our community is more caring, humane and have more compassion than these officials that work for us.

There was \$300,000 in the budget that was set aside for this project. This money has been there and now they have put it back to take bids again. The most they are willing to spend now is \$150,000 which would give us a shelter no larger than we currently have. Our current shelter was built in 1975 and the only addition was built because an animal lover left money

to the shelter. (Which built a tiny addition and the rest of the money went into the General Fund?). If you have not been to the shelter...Please go there and see for yourself why we so desperately need this shelter NOW! See for yourself what horrible conditions exist. Right now, there is little enough room for animals brought in, let alone to quarantine any animals before they are available for adoption to prevent the spread of illness.

We are not asking for a "Holiday Inn", just an adequate facility to take care of the animals and nice enough people want to go there to adopt a pet.

Below is a list of the commissioners / council members their addresses and phone numbers. We urge you to write a letter or call these people that are opposed and let them know you want to see the new shelter built and you are against their actions.

OPPOSED:
Richard Strayer 463
-2761 5945 E.
100S LaGrange,
IN 46761

Michael Strawser
854-2235
P.O. Box 332
Wolcottville, IN 46795

Jack VanAntwerp 562
-2526 0405 W.
575N Howe, IN
46746

SUPPORTIVE (So Far):
J.D. Hostetler 768
-4407 P.O.
Box 438 Shipse-
wana, IN 46565

Bernard Hoffman
463-3662
0605 N. 050W
LaGrange, IN 46761

IN FAVOR:
Joy Sharp 562
-3446 3645 N.
760W Howe, IN
46746

George Bachman 768
-4788
3645 N 760 W
Shipshewana, IN 46565

Jim Hess 854
-2904 1345
E. 790S P.O.
Box 725 Wolcott-
ville, IN 46795

Harold Gingerich 593
-2689 P.O.
Box 725 Topeka, IN
46571

UNKNOWN:
Charles Ashcraft 463
-2440 409 N.
Sherman LaGrange,
IN 46761

Meeting Schedule 2002

LCAWA meets at the
Lima Presbyterian
Church in Howe at
5:30 PM.

Thursdays:

October 10th

November 7th

December 5th

Contact Us

If you are interested
in attending a
meeting, or helping
with any of these
projects. Your help
will greatly be
appreciated!

**If you would like
more information,
please call:**

Amy Gunther
562-3122

Lindy Goetz
463-2602

Marge Malone
562-3655

Mary Alice Lynch
562-3299

Debbie Bontrager
463-3406

Meet The Stars

J
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Jack is a 3-4 year old male Australian Shepard/Collie mix. He is sweet tempered and very smart. He know some commands. He is currently in a foster home. Inquiries, call Lindy (foster Mom) 463-2602

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Sheba is an 8 year old German Shepard/Lab mix. She is sweet but a little skittish. Her owner turned her in because she did not get along with his girlfriend.

If you or someone you know can give a good home to any of our featured animals, **Please** contact the LaGrange Animal Shelter at 260-463-4142. **Because of space, their time is limited!**

LaGrange County Animal Shelter
C.R. 300 South,
3/4 mile West of S.R. 9.

Phone: 260-463-4142
Open: Tuesdays - Saturdays
8A.M. - 4P.M.

Many great adoptable dogs, puppies, cats & kittens are "Put Down" every week at the shelter. If you can give one of them a home, please do it now! Before it's too late! To see the current animals up for adoption go to www.petfinders.com and type in our zip code (46761) and it will take you right to the shelter site.

Postal Service to Issue New Stamps

The United States Postal Service (USPS) will issue spay/neuter stamps on September 20, 2002. The reach and influence that the USPS brings to the table have provided us with a tremendous opportunity to raise public awareness that spay/neuter should be a part of every pet's total care. In addition, the USPS has taken spay/neuter at their Fall Campaign!

From September until November 2002, Headquarters and 800,000 postal employees in 38,000 post offices nationwide will join in our efforts to build awareness of the mil-

lions of unwanted pets that are taken to shelters each year, and of spay/neuter as a preventative part of the solution.

You can visit the website of American Partnership for Pets, a group that has been working for five years to bring these stamps to the American public, at www.americanpartnershipforpets.org or visit www.palc.org to link to them.

See page 4 for the LCAWA Spay/Neuter Promotion to coincide with the new stamp release.

Shelter Stats



AUGUST 2002

Animals Brought in:	107
Dogs/Puppies	47
Cats/Kittens	60
Animals Adopted:	13
Dogs/Puppies	9
Cats/Kittens	4
Animals Euthanized:	94
Dogs/Puppies	24
Cats/Kittens	70

Annual Dinner & Auction

Plans are underway for our Annual Fund Raiser.

The **Dinner & Auction** will again be held at the American Legion in LaGrange. Scheduled for **October 17, 2002 at 6:30 PM**. Tickets will again be \$10.00 per person.

We've got some great items scheduled for Auction and anticipate a another good meal from the Legion!

Mark the date on your calendars, October 17th!

Make plans to attend. Good Food, Great Company, FUN!

The proceeds are for a great cause!!

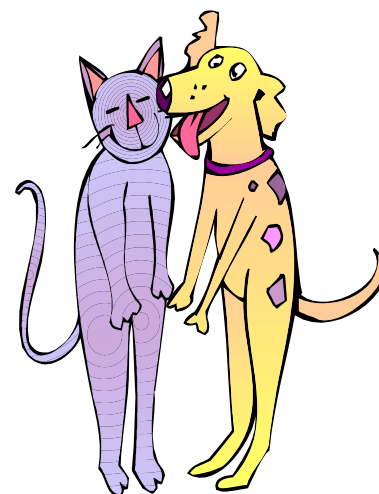
For the Benefit of The Animals!

Call for Tickets:

Amy Gunther	562-3122
Lindy Goetz	463-2602
Marge Malone	562-3655
Mary Alice Lynch	562-3299
Debbie Bontrager	463-3406
(After 7 PM)	

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated."

---Mohandas Gandhi



Did you hear... the LaGrange County Animal Welfare is having it's Dinner & Auction October 17th!

Coming Events



Look at this!

NEW STAMP RELEASE
SEPTEMBER 20, 2002
Your Local Post Office

CORN SCHOOL
OCTOBER 1 - 5, 2002
Look for our display and help us help the animals by purchasing our animal related products:
Bulletin Boards, Dog Cookie Books, Gourd Birdhouses and other items.

BENEFIT DINNER & AUCTION
OCTOBER 17, 2002
American Legion
100 Industrial Parkway
LaGrange, IN
6:30 PM
Tickets \$10.00 per Person

Spay/Neuter Contest

Send us a copy of your veterinary bill for having your pet Spayed or Neutered dated between September 15, 2002 to October 12, 2002.

Be sure to have your:

Name

Address (complete)

Phone Number

On the copy of your bill. You will be entered in the drawing for the following prizes:

1 First Prize \$100.00

3 Second Prize \$ 37.00

Everyone who sends a copy of their bill to be entered gets \$5.00.

Mail entries to:

LCAWA

P.O. Box 575

Howe, In 46746



Drawing to be held October 17, 2002 at the Annual Benefit Dinner/Auction.

Winners need not be present to win.

Remember get your entry in today and if you would like to attend the annual auction, call now to get your tickets!

Drawing is open to any resident of LaGrange County with a veterinary bill for having their pet spayed or neutered no earlier than September 15, 2002 and no later than October 12, 2002. LCAWA not responsible for lost, late or misdirected mail.

Winners will be notified by Phone and/or mail. A list of winners will be published in the LCAWA November issue of Pet News.

DESPERATELY NEEDED!

We desperately need people who can be a foster home for a dog, cat, puppy or kitten!

We need homes to place them in so they will not be "Put Down". Many of these companion animals are adopted through Adoption Days run by Rescue Groups and we have placed a number of animals with foster homes now. We need your help in placing more of them so we have the time to find them homes.

We need you provide a safe home and love until they can be adopted or if need be, moved to another foster home.

If you are interested in being a foster parent to a dog, cat, puppy or kitten, please call any of the contact numbers listed on the front page.

So many fine animals are put down just because their time is up or the shelter is over crowded.

Please, help if you can. These animals are being destroyed because they were strays, abandoned or turned in by their owners for numerous reasons. There is just not the room at the shelter.

The length of time an animal has at the shelter is usually 7 days, and this is only if there is room. Their time is less if the shelter is overcrowded. There is nothing wrong with these animals, they just need time to be placed in homes.

Call us if you'd like to foster an animal. We'll get you the information you need to become a Foster Parent!



WANTED

Have you dismantled your unused kennel/runs?

We need them for animals rescued from the shelter waiting for adoption or foster homes.

If you'd like to get rid of them, we'll pick them up. Write to our address on the front of the newsletter or call any of our member numbers on

Have a Large dog house you need to get rid of?

Call Lindy 463-2602.

She is fostering Jack (featured on Page 2) and needs a Large dog house for him.

