

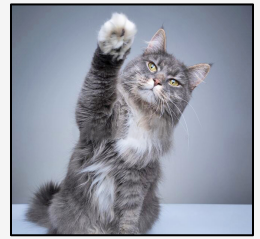


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A Fond Farewell

By Victoria George

After being the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter's president for the past 10 years, I have decided to step aside and turn the leadership role over to Samantha Tennyson and Linda Moon. Both Samantha and Linda have served on the board for several years, and I have the utmost confidence that the shelter will continue to evolve and flourish under their guidance. Our board is made up of individuals with very different skills and talents that complement and meld together to do amazing things for the shelter. I cannot say how much I have appreciated each one of them and their compassion, loyalty, dedication and kindness.

The support EBAS receives from our community, local businesses, private foundations and patrons near and far is astonishing, constant and commendable. Because of everyone's help in small ways and large, the shelter has been able to do many wonderful things for the homeless animals in our area, as well as for pet owners who need help or advice, and other animal shelters in need of assistance. Together, EBAS management, staff, loyal volunteers and our faithful supporters have made a difference in so many lives. I am confident this will continue well into the future.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at the shelter and thank all of you who have supported, encouraged and advised me during my time on the board.

Sincere thanks,
Victoria George

Changing of the Guard

As the old saying goes, "The only thing that stays the same is that everything changes." That couldn't be truer for our EBAS Board going into 2023. We have had seasoned board members retire, welcomed new directors, and had to fill the very large shoes of our outgoing board president.

Linda Moon and I are honored to have been appointed as co-presidents for 2023. As longtime volunteers and directors, we look forward to supporting the mission of EBAS, providing care and support for the animals and families in Schoolcraft County and beyond.

We welcome and thank our incoming directors, each of them EBAS volunteers who have taken their love of the shelter to the next level.

Last, but certainly not least, to Victoria George and our outgoing directors, thank you. Your dedication, teamwork, camaraderie, and countless hours of hard work have been invaluable. To say you will be missed is an understatement.

Sincerely,
Samantha (Tennyson) Hedberg & Linda Moon

Wanna Help?

- Speak kindly about the shelter. If someone says something negative, reply that hasn't been your experience.
- Share our posts. Plaster our posts everywhere, keeping people mindful of the shelter.
- Do you sew? Look up how to make things for cats - or call and ask what you can sew for us.
- Turn in your cans and donate the money.
- Buy an extra can of tuna or chicken while you are shopping and just drop it off. Call us from the parking lot and we will run out.
- You could cut up watermelon or slice some carrots - and again we will meet you in the parking lot and bring them in. Dogs love them in the summer. Cats, not so much, but they'll roll a small carrot around for hours.
- Someone recently donated a whole turkey we cooked up for the dogs and cats.
- We'd love for you to find grants for us.
- Are you grant gifted? Please write grants for us.
- Have you adopted from us? Please write little stories about your experience.
- Money always helps. We appreciate cash donations; if you don't want to gift us with money, put some on our account at the Vet Clinic.
- Order gifts on Chewy or Amazon.
- Send a note of encouragement, for sheltering can be hard emotionally and physically.
- Offer to help with weeding our flower beds or doing yardwork.
- Be kind.

You can absolutely find a way to plug in. It truly takes a community. Join our community.

In Our Care

Ryan



We consider Ryan our Christmas Eve miracle. Many of you in our area can recall the blizzard, the wind, the snow that made roads almost impassable. We had been notified of a dog that had been crossing US Highway 2 several times a day, a hound mix, dark in color, hard to see, and skittish. People were rightfully concerned that he was going to have a mishap with a vehicle. A wonderful family, the McEvers, made it their mission to capture this boy and ensure his safety, and despite the stormy weather on Christmas Eve they did exactly that. They had previously borrowed our live trap, snagged some bales of straw, set it all up like a den, left food in it, and checked the live trap every two hours. When they couldn't, they enlisted friends. When the call came Christmas Eve, we had to find someone who could actually make it through the storm to the shelter. More people stepped up and the dog, now dubbed Ryan, arrived - safe, protected and already championed. It truly takes a community. A community who is dedicated not just when it's convenient, or the weather is pleasant, or if they don't have other plans. We, as I have said before, have an absolutely awesome community.

Ryan is thriving at the shelter. He is now neutered, microchipped, current on shots and oh, so very, very sweet. We are tremendously grateful to so very many who gave this boy a chance at his very own happy ending.

Thank You!

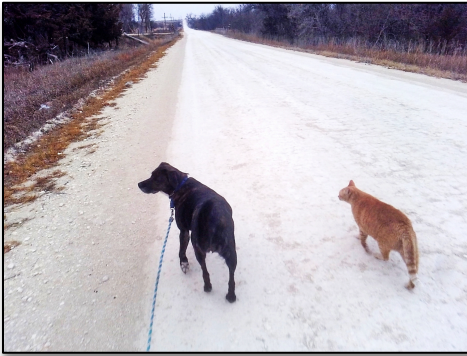
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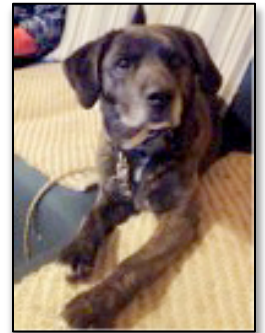
She appeared in the cold of January, a brief shadow disappearing so quickly behind the trees in the pasture that they weren't sure what kind of animal they'd seen. Might be a dog, they told each other. They stopped at the store for a small bag of kibble and left it in a bowl near the barn.

Like nearly a dozen stray cats who've joined the family over the years, the "brief shadow" they'd seen soon grew brave enough to find the kibble. Over the next week or so, they could see it truly was a dog, maybe a Labrador mix, but she was terribly thin, quite afraid of the humans leaving the food.

Eventually, she could be petted while eating. Eventually, she ventured closer to the house. And one day, she was willing to enter the front door.

Local veterinarians didn't recognize the black, slightly brindle-colored stray with the white toe-tips; there were no mentions of her on social media, no notes on local store bulletin boards looking for lost dogs. It wasn't long, though, before she had joined the family; a veterinary exam found no microchip – and they discovered she had already been spayed. At the clinic, she was microchipped, licensed and officially became theirs, joining the cats, the horses and cows and a small gray donkey.

She now has her place on the couch, dibs on the easy chair, a soft cushion beside the bed – and she's often found nestled beside sleeping humans *on* the bed if they wake during the night. They still have no clue where she came from, but they know where she'll be for the rest of her life. It's been nearly a year now, and the black, slightly brindle stray with the white toe-tips has definitely found her home.



*Adopt me,
we both need the love*

For the Love of Tobi

Tobi was brought in on December 23, for his owner was passing. He had a grumpy face and the personality to match. He was cankerous and generally out of sorts. He had picked his person and he was devastated at the loss of his home and friend. We were so sad for him. We talked softly, we read to him, but he greeted us with hisses and glares. We kept at it. So did he. Oh, come on, how long can you keep being grumpy? A long while, apparently. It was an amazing breakthrough when he first purred - who knew he could purr! But we still were often met with a hiss. We tried to remain hopeful and positive, wondering if anyone could really love 'ol grump face -- I mean, Tobi. He was 9+, didn't present well at all. Please, *please* let someone love him, besides us. But then, oh my gosh, in walks an amazing couple, dare we believe? They left thinking about him, and just like that, Tobi has left the building! Keep your fingers crossed, she already loves him. Tobi, you have no idea how fortunate you are.

In Memory

Thomas McBryde – Barbara McBryde, Donald & Linda Bitnar, John & Patrice Gaulin
Michael Tansy JR – Diane Clark
Patrick Moore – Bruce & Shannon Handel
Mike and Debbie – Judy Gross
Steve-O – Glen & Gloria Hansen, Patricia Newby
Dave and Bert Smith – Patricia Newby
Bobbi Hill Root – Patricia Newby
Elmer – Sigrid Doyle
Janet Shoobridge – Stephanie Wilson
Homer – Joseph & Jane Barnes
Sam – Amy Plettner
Xena – Patricia Newby

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Xena* & *Mister – Ben & Alice Carley
Scott Malloy – Gail Jacobs
Rudy – Gail Jacobs
Laura Lee Tegtman – Anne Kaiser
John (Steve) Leach – Diana Hauck
***Buddy* Grand dog** – Robert & Sherry Hampton
Caroline – Nancy Spawr-Seaton
David and Roseline Quinn – Jim Beaudry
Fritzie – Tina Selling
Lucky – Patricia Newby
Karson – Patricia Newby
Bear – Dixie Anderson
Ed & Doris Demers – Terry & Joyce Demars

Harley Cott – William & Michele Sheldon
Rene (Archey) Engel – Deb & Lee Vaughn
Spencer – Kevin Thorell
Janet Shoobridge – Stephanie Wilson
Dick Bennett – Kathleen Bennett
Mae Duchene – Terri & William Reid
***Jill* Beagle** – Kathryn Ellsworth
Sandi Jazewski – Bert & Christine Koski
Donna Horan – Bert & Christine Koski
Maurice & Dolly Coullard – Micky Walker

Wish list

Soft dog treats (made in USA, please)
 Coconut oil, unrefined
 Spray cheese
 Dog pheromone spray
 Cat pheromone spray
 Unscented dryer sheets
 Bottled water
 Canned chicken
 Canned tuna
 Canned dog food
 Bar Keepers Friend, liquid
 Toilet bowl cleaner
 Kind words
 Adopters



Mooshka



Potatoo



Charlie



Isabella



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What We Know About Animals and Their Dreams

Everyone who has watched a dog nap has probably wondered if animals dream. It's a complicated question! We still don't know exactly why HUMANS dream, or why dreams might be important. Studying ANIMAL dreams is even harder since our dogs can't tell us what made them whine or run during a snooze.

Animal dreams could have intriguing implications. David M. Pena-Guzman, author of "When Animals Dream: The Hidden World of Animal Consciousness" believes that dreaming gives us a way of extending a number of cognitive capacities to animals. These include things like emotion, memory, and even imagination.

We know that primates have emotions, but consider spiders, which a recent study suggests may experience REM-like sleep and even visual dreams. The thought of spider dreams sounds outlandish, but it may be true. Matt Wilson, a neurobiologist at MIT, has been looking into animal models to try to understand what goes on during sleep that might influence learning, memory, and behavior.

Domestic cats were some of the first animals subjected to dream research. Michael Jouvet, a pioneer of sleep studies, uncovered evidence of feline dreaming in the 1960's when he observed cats' behavior while they slept and then altered it dramatically. Human muscles do not move much during REM sleep no matter how intense the mental activity in the dream becomes. This ensures that the body does not act out the dream no matter how real they seem. Jouvet learned that, in cats, a brainstem structure called the pons seemed to regulate REM sleep and produce partial paralysis. By removing parts of the pons, Jouvet caused a dramatic change in behavior. While deep in REM sleep, the cats began to move as if awake: hunting, jumping, grooming and aggressively defending themselves.

Research has further determined that rats who ran a maze during the day can rerun the same course while asleep. The part of the rats' brain called the hippocampus can remember the neuron pattern of navigating the maze and when asleep, can reproduce the identical pattern. When maze memories occur during sleep, the visual imagery that went along with them is also reactivated, meaning the sleeping rodents saw what they had seen in the maze while awake. The same has been found for auditory and even emotional areas that reactivate when the rat reruns the maze during REM sleep.

Zebra finches are not born singers. In fact, the birds must learn by listening, practicing and, perhaps, by dreaming. In 2000 researchers learned that neurons in the birds' forebrains fire with a distinct pattern while they sing - a pattern that scientists can recreate note by note. While the birds sleep, their brain reproduces this same pattern, suggesting the birds remember and practice songs in their sleep. The study authors concluded that songbirds dream of singing. Further study determined that finches were the first non-mammals to have a similar sleep structure as humans, including REM sleep. Recent research shows that the birds also move their vocal muscles to match the music in their brains, and they can be prompted to actually sing a song played to them in their sleep.

Zebra fish also experience REM-like sleep. While sleeping, these fish lose muscle tone, develop arrhythmic heartbeats, and show brain activity that looks like that of an awake fish. One difference in the fish is that they do not move their eyes while dreaming, as humans do.

Research suggests that REM sleep may have evolved at least 450 million years ago-before land and aquatic animals diverged in their evolution.

The definition of dreaming may be best explained as simply the shuffling of synapses, or in other words, a reset of the neural connections that prepares our nervous system for the coming day through processes like memory consolidation and cognition optimization. You do something in the daytime, and your brain will replay it, integrate it, and mix it with other experiences. As it turns out, we are not the only species capable of remembering and learning!

EBAS

by Barb Isom

As I mentioned in an earlier newsletter, one thing I could not wait to do when I retired was walk shelter dogs. I found EBAS online, thought the drive would be no more than an hour, so I called and asked to come for a volunteer visit. Turns out the trip, no matter which route I take, is actually 1.5 hours. However, after my first time talking to the staff and volunteers I was hooked. I was impressed with the extreme measures taken by everyone at the shelter to find forever homes for all the dogs and cats.

Then in 2020 my world came crashing down. I lost both my dogs and our kitty in the span of two weeks. My mix baby was 15 years 7 months and my Irish Setter was one month shy of 15 years so I know I had as much time with them as I could possibly ask. It's very hard to not have a dog in the house but those trips to EBAS became a lifesaver. Walking and loving on the dogs helped tremendously.

I mentioned to Patricia I was looking for a Border Collie mix. You pretty much have to believe in miracles because a couple weeks after losing my second dog, Patricia called me into the back room. She had just received a call from a woman needing to re-home a dog she herself had rescued from a not great situation but adding a third dog to their home was one too many. Patricia said the shelter would be sending a volunteer very soon, well, me! I fell in love with Nyla immediately but had never adopted a dog over 4 months old. I was worried and initially Nyla was a bit nervous about being petted and too much close contact. Patricia spent a good deal of time on the phone giving me much needed advice. Everything she suggested worked miracles on my new baby. I was always amazed at her progress towards trusting us.

I am totally in love with the best dog in the world. On my EBAS volunteer days I look into Nyla's eyes and explain to her why I will be gone most of the day. I swear she understands the importance of me giving the shelter dogs the same love I give her so that they might have a chance at a loving home as she now has.



In Honor

Betty & Jane – Nila Haug
EBAS Volunteers, EBAS Staff –
Patricia Newby, Ron Pavlik
Ron Pavlik – Jan Jeffcott, Judy
Gross

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Eva Burrell Animal Shelter Mission Statement

The Eva Burrell Animal Shelter (EBAS) believes that it has the ability and power to effect change one animal at a time. It is our goal to be worthy of their lives, to be enriched by their presence and not to miss the lessons they teach. We pledge to educate, to lead by example, to learn, to help when and where we can, to be diligent in our fundraising, and to be worthy of the trust placed in us.