## Your Brant County SPCA



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Spring 2023 Newsletter

When you meet Doug, you can see how much he loves his animals. It's written all over his face. Doug's dogs are his best friends - and they show their love for him with their constant tail-wagging and cuddles.

Doug is a Pets for Life client. He has three Chihuahuas; Shyanne and Cheeco are parents to Buddy. Through our Pets for Life program at Winston Court, our Wellness Clinic team was able to assess Doug's dogs, and give them the care they needed. All three dogs were spayed and neutered and Cheeco's ears were treated for a chronic ear infection.



Doug with his dogs Shyanne, Cheeco & Buddy.

Months later, Doug needed medical attention but didn't have anyone to look after his dogs so he put off going to the hospital. The SPCA team heard about Doug's predicament and reached out to offer support through our H.O.P.E (Helping Owned Pets in Emergencies) Program. H.O.P.E offers free emergency boarding when a pet owner is faced with a life-altering emergency, and is unable to care for their pet(s).

"I can't put into words how much I appreciate the SPCA for taking care of my dogs while I was in the hospital."

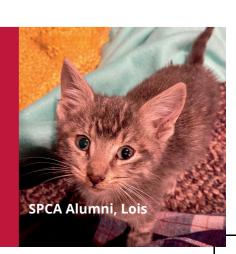
Because Doug delayed going to the hospital, he had to have a portion of one leg amputated. Now, Doug has been reunited with his best friends. "I want people to know that you can be an amputee and still love, and take care of your animals....and, they'll always love you."

Both H.O.P.E. and Pets for Life is free for pet owners, and we're only able to offer these programs because of our generous donors, like you.

Will you make a donation today to help keep animal lovers like Doug, and their pets together? You can help keep families together and ensure that all animal lovers enjoy the unconditional love of a pet.

#### Are YOU our next foster home?

When you become a foster parent you're **helping transform the life of a pet.** You provide a loving home & we equip you with everything else (food, supplies, vet care and support!). To learn more visit: brantcountyspca.com/ foster



## Tom & Paula's Story: Leaving a Legacy for Cats in our Community



Tom & Paula are cat people that light up when sharing stories of days spent with their cats basking in the sun or snuggling on their laps with music filling the corners of the house, gazing at their property filled with the thousands trees that they've planted.

Paula & Tom are both musicians, playing and teaching music for decades. They've cared for over 24 cats - they've been their constant companions. Many were adopted from the Brant County SPCA, including their current brood: Morgan, Dani & Leia.

Long-time supporters, Tom & Paula shared recently that, music, planting trees and caring for cats is an important part of their legacy. Tom explains, "In our mid 80s, we ponder the legacy, the past, and wonder what we're leaving behind which is of value to the world" Tom and Paula have decided to include a gift to the Brant County SPCA in their Will, to protect and help all animals, especially cats, for decades to come.

We're grateful for everyone that leaves a gift in their Will to the SPCA. We know that it's not just a donation, but a reflection of a life, a person's values, and wishes for the future. If you've included a gift in your Will for animals in the Brant community, check that you've named the "Brant County SPCA" to ensure your support stays within your local community.

## **Legacy Giving - Fast Facts**

**Legal Name:** Brant County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) **Charitable Registration No.** 898369319 RR 0001

## Are you looking for a Barn Buddy?

Barn Buddies are a special group of felines that are not suitable as indoor companions and are skilled rodent technicians that will stop pests in their tracks.

"The Barn Buddies program is amazing; the cats have done a great job and completely rid the garage of mice! The SPCA staff are so helpful - they gave us information on how to introduce the two cats to each other. And, we don't have to worry about kittens because they've been spayed/neutered" shares Tiffany, a Barn Buddies adopter.

Our animal care staff match feral cats that wouldn't thrive in a home environment with community members who have a barn, or warehouse and are looking for working cats. The Brant County SPCA works hard to find these cats a safe home and help our community manage feral cat population. We also spay/neuter, vaccinate and microchip all our barn buddies. To learn more visit our website brantcountyspca.com.

## Thank you

Because of your generous support, we had our best Cupcake Day yet - raising \$25,984! Thank you for your generous support.



### **Golf FORE the Animals!**

Register now for Golf Day! Friday, June 9th Oaks of St. George Golf Club

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