

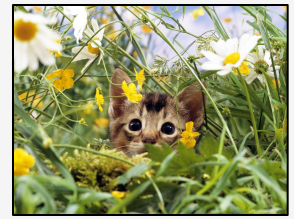


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## **Twenty Years! Already?**

*by Char Crosby*

The long-awaited day finally arrived – January 25, 2000. The door officially opened to homeless cats and dogs who needed temporary refuge in Schoolcraft County. Three years of planning, fundraising, campaigning, and construction resulted in the county’s first official animal facility, the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter. Eva, our namesake, for years had assumed responsibility for the care and placement of forsaken pets at her residence. It was time to relieve Eva of the burden. A determined grass roots effort garnished the endorsement of the community and enthusiastic volunteers. The vision became a reality.

Although the initial work of creating and building a shelter was hard and even difficult at times, it soon became apparent that was the easy part. Actually, caring for the animals and securing operating funds proved to be absolutely daunting. As a private, non-profit facility, we worried constantly about money and volunteers. Through trial and error, sweat and tears, consternation and delight we somehow figured it out. A manager was hired. A volunteer schedule was created. A fundraising regimen evolved. The animals kept coming.

And now, 20 years and almost 5,000 animals later, the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter, a micro shelter by definition, continues to serve our community – and beyond – with one astute manager and a part-time staff of three, one being a dog trainer/kennel manager along with dedicated volunteers. And the animals keep coming. But, oh how we have changed! Our initial efforts singularly revolved around the care and adoption of the cats and dogs. Shortly thereafter, training became an integral element – manners for the dogs, litter box training for the cats and socialization for all. Many veteran volunteers shake their heads in absolute amazement at the chaotic wildness of those early days when a crated cat was released for exercise. A cat would charge out of the crate leaping, jumping and meowing as it taunted those impatiently waiting a turn. Then, attempting to safely return the beastly wonder to its cage was a challenge heretofore unknown to most! Humph . . . cages were soon eliminated in favor of colony rooms which allowed for far more feline contentment.

Changes have become a constant - both physical and philosophical. The exercise yard is greatly enlarged with a much higher fence once a leggy hound named May mounted a scaling attempt. Peeling a wiggly, long-legged 45-pound dog off a fence is comedy in the making! Walking paths through fields, woods and along a quiet road allow for one-on-one time between dog and volunteer and an opportunity for time away from the kennel. A free-standing “feline funhouse” attached to the main building via a sturdy tube allows shelter cats to seek some private time on window ledges or in hidey-holes. Screens built into the upper and lower portions of the colony room doors offer a view to the lobby and a safe opportunity to go nose to nose with a passing dog. Less obvious changes also contribute to the safety and well-being of the shelter animals. All of the homeless animals who find their way to EBAS are vaccinated (including rabies and distemper for both cats and dogs), treated for ticks and fleas, dewormed, spayed/neutered, microchipped and groomed. In addition, cats are feline leukemia tested and dogs are tested for heartworm and Lyme disease and given a dose of Bordetella to prevent “kennel cough.” All are well fed, taught basic manners, socialized, given a safe and loving place to stay while we do what we can to help them relocate to their forever home.

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## All adoptions by donation

### *In Memory*

**Frank Rudowski** – Judy Pokrywki

\***Ace**\* – Jessica Dibble

\***Baxter**\* – Beverly Handel

\***Chip and Max Mason**\* –

Michael and M. Katherine White

\***Cisco**\* – Peggy and Dennis Visser

\***George**\* – Bob and Jean Williams,  
Sarah Ann Williams

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Elsa, Shelter Board, Cindy King  
and Kathy Jerde, Karen and  
William Hearle

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\***Homer**\* – Joseph and Jane Barnes

\***Iggy**\* – Lou and Kristi Kusnier

\***Lilly**\* – Shelter Friends

\***Maxine**\* – Patricia Newby, Shelter  
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\***Toonie**\* honoring her

birthday – Tom and Carla Flodin

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Blahnik, Susanne Barr, Bruce and  
Judi Behrens, Hank and Laurie  
Gardner, Kelly and Victoria  
George, Aurora and Dave Grabski,  
Kathe Nedeau, Shelter Board, Earl  
and Shirley Newby, Debra and  
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Sherry Hampton

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Janice Hietikko, Anna Sjogren and  
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Knutson Family, Lynne and Emmett  
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**Charles Lundstrom** – Lundstrom  
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and Elsa, Susanne Barr, Melissa  
Schwartz, Char and Dan Crosby,  
James and Catherine Creighton,  
Pam Adams, Kathy McDonough,  
Mary Ellen Deblak, Roxanna  
Transit, Jeanne Verbrigghe,  
Constance Campagna, Liz Hill,  
Betty Jeane Knoph, Harry and Polly  
Toennesen, Francis Schwantner

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Edward and Mary Leonard, John  
and Lynn Lindroth, William and  
Theresa Barr-Drew, Joel and Sherri  
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Calhoun, Kimberly Sowle,  
P. Sharon Varnum, James and  
Connie Ellis, Joseph Fodrocy Jr.,  
Carrie Simmons, Margo Hill,  
Laura Featherston and Kelli,  
Schlaud's friends from Lake Bella  
Vista, Carol LaRose, Joe and Nora  
Case, Benjamin Carlson, Todd and  
Laura Kangas, Allen and Irene  
Grimm, Gary and Teresa Flugaur

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Elsa, Terri and William Reid

**George "Ed" Daunt** – Shelter  
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Karin and Elsa, Kayo Barker  
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and Dennis St. Pierre, Karen Klaus,  
Ruth Ann Johnson, Philip and  
Doreen Gericke

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**Nancy** – William Cheney and Debra  
Captain

**Rainey Edwin DeMars** – Terry  
DeMars and Joyce Melendez



## Happy Tales about Happy Tails

### Remi



You know those special moments in life that are unexplainable? Moments that you know you can't let pass you by. Too many moments and coincidences that tell you this is something special, something God given. Well, I had those moments.

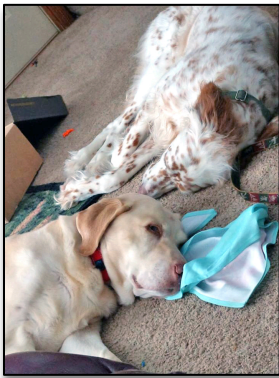
It started when I looked in the rear view mirror of my car and there he was in the back seat looking at me. I said "Hey Buddy", and then he put his head on my shoulder and rested it against my face. I put my arm around him and said "I really like you too".

That quickly turned into "I love you too, Remi". He was a dog from the shelter I work at, the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter. That furry face had pawed his way into my heart ... the dog of my heart. I started to dream about the day I could bring him home. There were so many pieces of the puzzle that had to come together. It took an incredible team of people to help make this dream come true.

My heartfelt thanks and overwhelming appreciation go to Patricia, Jessica, Deb, Lisa, the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter and all their wonderful volunteers and the amazing girls at Northern Tails Pet Resort: Cassie, Hannah, Emily, Kelsey, Jade, Kaylie and Krystie. Remi was officially adopted by me on December 17, 2019. Welcome home, Remi! Thank you for helping to make this dream come true and helping Remi come home. Hold on to your special moments and hold on tight. Thank you from the bottom of my heart and Remi's heart.



## In Our Care



Wow, what a month I've had...Not quite sure what to make of it all! So many changes can sure be hard on an old lady, but I'm doing my best. These new bird dog friends who live here don't seem to care that I came in and made myself at home. We all have different stories of how we came to live with these people but we're getting to know each other. Though I've heard mutterings, my Lab friend and I probably won't be able to play ball together as we might not be the best at sharing. I guess we'll see, once Spring gets here, if we can work out a deal.

For now, I'm really loving all this snow I get to play in. My new kid (that I kinda really like!) does all these fun things with his dogs and, lucky me, I'm one of them! A few days ago, I spent an hour supervising his construction project on his snow fort until it was time to go in for dinner. Oh...DINNER...I really, really like to eat. I slipped up when I first arrived and mistakenly showed I knew a few things. Now I have to sit before I get fed and have to earn treats by showing them my manners. I'm thinking about revolting; the treats are all diet food because I've been told I'm heavier than I should be . . . maybe I am, but that means there's more of me to love!

I'm enjoying life here on the farm and am hoping my 'foster' family (whatever that means?!) is OK with me making this my forever home, as I'm happy here and not planning to ever move again.

Love, Abby

## *Thank You!*

Abby, Ben and Daisy  
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**Twenty Years! Already? – continued from page 1**

EBAS diligently serves the community with programs that address specific needs. For instance, pet owners come to the shelter for straw by donation to be used as winter bedding for dogs and outside community cats. We offer food pantry assistance when either an individual needs help with pet food/ supplies - or when we have an excess of donated pet food, we pass it on to another local charity. Pet over-population is an on-going concern, so EBAS funds a spay/neuter program in cooperation with Thompson Veterinary Clinic. We also address the feral cat issue by trapping, neutering/spaying followed by release, thus impacting the numbers and health of such animals. We have developed programs to encourage adoptions: Pets for Vets, Senior to Senior, adoption by donation rather than a set fee. EBAS was the first shelter in the Upper Peninsula to establish the inmate dog training program. We assist with direct placement adoptions. Sometimes, we find long term foster care for elderly pets or those with specific health needs. An additional service is hospice homes for terminally ill cats and dogs so they may be lovingly and knowledgeably cared for during their final days.

All this and more our micro but mighty shelter endeavors to do while taking care of some of the most remarkable animals. An imposing dog of dubious origin became known to many as Midnight Joy, the EBAS shelter ambassador who endeared herself to an entire community. Or Chance, the beautiful golden retriever shot in the head and left for dead who became an invaluable therapy dog. Or Tang, a singular cat who waited for months to choose his one and only person. Charity, the most loving, comical and mothering pit bull ever! Dizzy Dean, a yellow Lab who “brutalized” volunteers by the sheer exuberance of his zestful personality and energy. Not to forget Clara Belle, the pretty (yes, *pretty*) feminine St. Bernard who preferred to be a lap dog. Lili, the only Norwegian forest cat we’ve ever seen. And . . . and . . . and . . . Every single one a backyard, hometown champion.

These champs are made possible by many good folks – our many supportive patrons and the amazing group of dedicated volunteers who do everything enthusiastically from shoveling poop to planting flowers, from slipping on an icy trail while walking a dog to sitting on a plush cushion while comforting a tiny kitten. Sometimes they leave the shelter a bit battered and tired but return for their next shift with a smiling face and hopeful heart. Yup, micro but mighty. For sure, the little shelter that does. No doubt!

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## **Canine Cancer Therapies are Helping People with Cancer**

New therapies for beloved pets are being developed in hopes of treating humans as well. Life is finally improving for dogs with cancer, which is the number-one killer of our beloved pets. An estimated one in three dogs get the disease. Some pure breeds, such as golden retrievers and boxers, are especially prone to cancer. Yet for decades, there was little research into canine cancer. Consequently, veterinarians had little to offer sick pets and their distraught owners.

With researchers realizing that dogs may be able to solve some of the mysteries of human cancer, this situation has begun to change. Pioneering scientists are adopting the belief that dogs are better research models than lab mice for cancer research as well as some other illnesses. Our dogs share our lives, drinking the same water and breathing the same air. Their diseases occur naturally like ours, as opposed to being introduced artificially in lab mice. We also have more in common with dogs biologically than we do with mice, and cancer is often caused by the same genetic mutations in both species.

Factors such as these are why clinical trials using pet dogs have increased over the past decades, especially in oncology. Clinical trials examine new therapies for canine cancer that might improve and inspire research in human cancer treatment. The National Cancer Institute, an arm of the U.S. National Institutes of Health, has been a major supporter of this new work. In 2017 the NCI funded \$11.5 million in grants to six veterinary schools to study immunotherapy treatments for four different cancers in pet dogs. NCI funding, plus more from pharmacological companies, has created more freedom to pursue canine cancer research. Amy LeBlanc, a veterinary oncologist who directs the Comparative Oncology Program at NCI, feels that “Dogs are helping us understand a very complex puzzle. Not only do we have more research, but the sophistication of that research has exploded.”

Although the end goal of these comparative trials is to help humans, they have produced several promising cancer drugs for dogs. In 2017 the US FDA conditionally approved Tanovea-CA1 to fight canine lymphoma. Additionally, an osteosarcoma vaccine under development has been conditionally approved by the USDA. Genetic research into canine cancer has traditionally lagged far behind the human version. Currently there are new drugs far into the development process which could give this research a major boost. With the sequencing of the DNA of canine osteosarcoma cells this past summer at Tufts University, the NCI has provided money to sequence DNA for at least five other cancers, including melanoma, B-cell lymphoma and bladder cancer. Veterinary oncologists at Tufts predict that the next five years will see an explosion of genetic information which will lead to more effective and less toxic treatments for dogs with cancer.

Clinical trials such as these have given owners with dangerously sick dogs somewhere to turn. Not only do these trials provide experimental medicine that may save a dog’s life, most do it at a price any dog owner can afford: free. “We now have access to some of the latest and greatest cutting-edge medicine for dogs,” says Dr. Nicole Ehrhart, a veterinarian at Colorado State University who helped pioneer limb-salvaging techniques for dogs with bone cancer. People may be able to have their pets longer with these new cancer therapies. What people sometimes forget about veterinary medicine is that veterinarians are also treating the person on the other end of the leash!



## In Honor

**\*Binks\*** – Bob and Jean Williams

**\*Damon\*** – Ron Pavlik

**\*Lucky\***, **\*Ginger\***, **\*Sparky\***,

**\*Sunshine\***, **\*Sammy\*** and

**\*Buddy\*** – Jane and Roman

Kujacznski

**\*Oreo\*** and **\*Kolby\*** – Nancy and

Jeff Heeman

**\*Ruby\*** – Gerald and Lois Fighter

**\*Steve\*** – Glen and Gloria Hansen

**Bruce and Judi Behrens** – Rick

Michalski

**EBAS Board** – Patricia Newby

**EBAS Staff and Volunteers** – Ron

Pavlik

**Kathe Nedeau** – Shelter Friends

**Linda Globler and Dennis**

**Schornack's Cats** – Bob and Jean

Williams

**Linda Globler and Dennis**

**Schornack's Cats** – Sarah Ann

Willams

**Matt O'leary** – Patrick O'leary

**Nana** – The Kidlets

**Patricia Newby** – Char and Dan

Crosby

**Rita Salter** – Thomas and Phyllis

Burge

**Rosalyn and her Pack** – Kayo

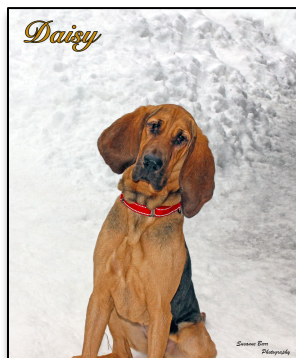
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**The Champion Family** – Bob and

Jean Williams

**Vidar and Julie Nygren** – Shelter

Friends



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## EVENTS

### SOUP LUNCHEON

Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> 11a.m. – 2p.m. at the Senior Center in Manistique

Come warm up with a steaming cup of delicious homemade soup (eat in or take out).

Add some home baked bread, beverage and dessert

and you've got the perfect winter lunch. Try your luck at the 50/50 raffle, too.

### ADULT FORMAL EVENING

Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup> 6p.m. – ? at St. Francis School

Put on your best party clothes and have a great night of appetizers, desserts, dancing, raffles and a cash bar.

Get your tickets ahead of time at the shelter, Northern Tails Pet Resort or Thompson Veterinary Clinic.

For details, check out the Facebook Page: Adult Evening Formal Event, Benefiting Eva Burrell Animal Shelter.

### ONLINE PURSE AUCTION

Coming May 2020

More information soon. A big thank you to everyone who donated such beautiful purses for the auction.

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Meetings of EBAS are held the second Wednesday of every month, 5 p.m. in the First Baptist Church on Walnut St. in Manistique. You’re invited to join us in the efforts to care for a community of animals.

**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.