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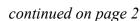
Partnering to Save Lives

Every day, thousands of unwanted pets are abandoned across the United States...but you already know that. And over a million shelter animals are euthanized each year...but you already know that, too. So why am I telling you stuff you already know? To set the stage for what we're going to talk about: why Eva Burrell Animal Shelter sometimes takes in animals from other shelters.

Eva Burrell Animal Shelter proudly partners with other shelters and rescues both locally and across Michigan to help at-risk animals find new homes each year. But, but, what about our own community? Why would OUR shelter spend time or money helping some dog or cat from another shelter? Don't we have enough homeless animals without taking in animals from other places?

What a sad place the world would be if everyone cared only about their own household or their own town and refused to lend a hand to others in need, especially when they have the resources to help. At EBAS, we believe our mission extends beyond our county borders. And that an animal in need deserves help regardless of what zip code they find themselves in. While we make sure the animals in our county are taken care of first, we often have extra space and resources to extend a helping hand where needed. We have a devoted staff and tireless team of volunteers who don't mind the extra work of saving the occasional dog, cat, or litter of puppies or kittens who would otherwise end up as part of those euthanasia statistics. We have an exceptional dog training program at Newberry Correctional Facility with inmates who love nothing more than to care for and train as many dogs as we can send their way.

And don't forget, partnerships work both ways. EBAS takes in dogs or cats from overcrowded shelters, shelters that can't deal with a particular animal like we can (with our prison training program and on-site trainer), or because of emergencies (like natural disasters or large seizure situations). You've seen many of these special animals in previous newsletters or maybe even around town. They're some of our favorites like Blue, Jax the rottie, Stella and Bella and Sugar and their adorable puppies, and the ever so cute Patterdale puppies, some of whom are still at the Newberry Correctional Facility waiting for adoption.











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- "Chief" Harrison Paul and Jo Anne Wood
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- *Amara* Nicole Frankovich
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The Wedding of Amanda and Igor Kazakov – Debby Hagie Patricia Newby – Byron and Kori Tossava Judi Behrens – Doris Norman Randy Newby's Birthday – Earl and Shirley Newby

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In turn, we work with these other shelters or rescues to help us place dogs or cats that haven't been adopted by our small community. This year through July, of the 117 animals we've taken in, 15 were from other shelters, or about 13%. During the same time period, we've had 119 animals leave the shelter, with 23 of them going to other shelters, about 19%. It's a win/win for our partner-shelters and all the future pets, too.

Our base of supporters extends beyond the Upper Peninsula and we value each and every one of those supporters. We also believe dogs and cats have value beyond breed and location. We hope you share this vision and continue to support our passion to save lives, one animal at a time.





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Happy Tales about Happy Tails

By Renee Peterson

Finnegan and Quigley came home to live with us approximately 5 years ago from the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter. While not littermates, they are close in age and similar in appearance, both sporting shiny black and white coats. Finn is flashy and striking with his long hair and extravagant tail, and Quigley is dapper and adorable with his painted nose and white paws. Right away they stole my heart.



From day one, I should have probably foreseen that Finnegan would be a mischief-maker. Even when I picked him out at the shelter, he was getting into it, chewing on

the strap of my purse and continually trying to crawl inside. This has only continued into his grown-up years as Finn, also known as Fuzzbutt, Finnabin, and Fluffernutter, has become a bit of a firebrand. He is adept at opening cupboards, necessitating childproof locks on numerous doors. Likewise, our dear Finn has shown to have developed a love for chocolate and tries to routinely scavenge chocolate Pop-Tarts out of the pantry, so don't ever leave that door ajar. Oh, and not paying attention to him? I have to prepare to have every object that's not nailed down knocked off of tables, counters, or side tables. However, despite his little temper tantrums, Finn is a fantastic boy and makes up for it with excessive "love fests" where one becomes his favorite human in the universe, blessed with purring, rubs, adoring looks and little love bites. He is also my nightly bedtime companion, my morning coffee buddy - and my daughter refers to Finn as my "cat boyfriend." I don't disagree.

Quigley is perhaps the sweetest cat I have ever encountered. The day I adopted him he crawled into my lap two minutes after my arrival at the shelter and went to sleep. Driving home I remember telling him that he would be my daughter's cat, and while I have no idea how I knew that, it was absolutely true. Quigley sleeps with her every night, frequently napping in her room while she is at school. When my daughter picks him up, Quigley hugs her, placing his front paws on either side of her neck and laying his head on her shoulder. He does this with no one else, and it melts one's heart. We laughingly all joke that Quig's goal in life is to crawl back in the womb as he always wants to cuddle, content to be held like a baby, be rocked in your arms, and sleep for hours in your lap. That is perhaps why his nickname is Needy Baby. At night, we will routinely find him under the covers with my daughter or wrapped around her head on the pillow. He also loves to talk, and my husband enjoys "chatting" with him in the morning, getting Quigley to respond with his quick bright meow, following my husband around the house as he gets ready for work. Sadly, this very sweet boy suffers from major "stranger danger" so Quig's lovely personality is only enjoyed by the family and a few special friends, otherwise he stays out of sight of company.



While Finnegan and Quigley are two very different kitties, they are both dearly loved for their unique personalities and quirks, making our lives much richer. It is always ironic to me that we say we "rescued" them when we adopt from our local shelters, for truly, they do so much more for us.





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In Our Care

So, what's up with this place. Who are these people? Hi, my name is Elvis, I am a hamster, and I don't have a clue why I am at the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter. A group of people came in and took out 39 animals and I was one of them, so here I am. Wow, next day they cleaned and scrubbed my cage, wait, what is this lady doing? Oh, no . . . Oh, no! She is putting me in water . . . she said I have, ummm, fleas? Yikes . . . Oh, wait! It doesn't feel too bad after all. Hmmm, I think I like it. Holy whaaa? I have new digs. Wow! Things are looking up; they give me watermelon pieces and cherries. This isn't so bad after all. Oh look, I am being, um, what's that word, "adopted," I think

Elvis has left the building!

Online Review of Eva Burrell Animal Shelter:

By Elvis Hamster - 4.5 ☆ Pool size: Excellent

Sleeping: Excellent Food: Excellent



Comments: I would have rated EBAS a 5, but the shelter director didn't share her chocolates with me!







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What You Need to Know about DIETS and HEART DISEASE (the Truth about Grain-Free Diets)

1. Can pet diets cause heart problems?

YES! Thirty years ago, veterinarians recognized deficiency of an amino acid named taurine as the most common cause of dilated cardiomyopathy (DCM) in cats. DCM is a disease of the heart muscle that is characterized by an enlarged heart that does not function properly. Since cats cannot make their own taurine, they must ingest it to stay healthy. Taurine is plentiful in most animal tissues. Being carnivores, cats that hunt for their food derive adequate taurine from their diet. However, some commercial cat foods at that time contained insufficient taurine causing dilated cardiomyopathy and other health issues. As a result, pet food companies added more taurine to the foods they manufacture, and taurine-associated DCM in cats has all but disappeared, except in rare cases where owners feed unbalanced diets such as boiled poultry or vegetarian diets to cats.

Several years later, certain dog breeds were found to also have DCM in association with taurine deficiency. This was unexpected because dogs, unlike cats, are able to synthesize taurine from other amino acids in their food. Investigators suspected that these breeds were unable to synthetize taurine in amounts needed to replace losses, and these dogs resolved their cardiomyopathy in many cases when they were supplemented with high doses of taurine.

Since that time, specific categories of diets have been sporadically implicated in heart disease, including lamb-and-rice diets and vegan or vegetarian diets. Most recently, Golden Retrievers have been identified as having a taurine-deficiency-associated cardiomyopathy.

2. Is the current diet-associated cardiomyopathy caused by taurine deficiency?

The current evidence suggests that the recent outbreak of cardiomyopathy in dogs is likely not primarily related to taurine deficiency. Besides the above- mentioned Golden Retrievers, no proof exists that the current outbreak of DCM in dogs is being caused by taurine deficiency.

3. If it's not taurine, what is the cause?

We don't know. The only common link that investigators have observed is "grain-free" diets that use lentils and other legumes (peas) as the "base ingredient". There are no definitive answers explaining how these diets cause the cardiomyopathy.

4. Are all "limited ingredient" or "grain free" diets at fault?

Some dogs are prescribed diets to diagnose and treat allergies. Such diets might include a limited number of uncommon ingredients, such as salmon, kangaroo, potatoes, peas, etc. At this point, no therapeutic diets manufactured by the major pet food manufacturers (Hills, Purina, Royal Canin) have been associated with current cases of diet-associated cardiomyopathy.

There is no medical or nutritional indication for "grain free" diets, although some veterinary therapeutic diets recommended to diagnose and treat allergies are also grain free. They are chosen because the ingredients happen to be novel for the specific patient, but they are not used because they lack grains per se. **Grain free is simply a marketing category and there is no specific benefit**. The June 2019 FDA report titled "Dog Food Brands Named Most Frequently in DCM Cases Reported to FDA" lists the brands implicated and ranks them by number of associated cases of DCM and can be found online.

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5. What Should I do if my dog eats a grain-free legume-based or other implicated diet?

First, check the ingredient label and if peas or lentils are the main ingredient consider changing to a diet that contains grains. Second, if you are reluctant to change the diet, consult your veterinarian about having an echocardiogram to see if your dog has evidence of cardiomyopathy. If your dog is found to be affected, even if there are no clinical signs, change the diet to a grain-based commercial diet. Third, if you have a dog that is "at risk" for taurine deficiency (American Cocker Spaniel, Golden Retriever, Newfoundland, and Dalmatian) and eating an implicated diet, have blood taurine levels checked. If taurine levels are low, consider an echocardiogram, diet change, and supplemental taurine.

6. What about cats?

A few cat cases have been reported to the FDA, but the numbers are too small to say anything definitive. This appears to be primarily a dog problem.

7. Bottom line take away message?

Do not feed grain free diets unless they have been prescribed by a veterinarian and are produced by a major therapeutic diet dog food manufacturer. Remember that so-called "boutique" diets may not be appropriate for dogs and discuss their use with your veterinarian. Remember that the price of the diet does not necessarily correlate with the quality of the diet. And be sure to discuss your dog's diet with your veterinarian at all veterinary visits.



We Miss You!

Over the last few months, life has changed in ways few of us could have ever imagined. Summer, usually busy with parades, cookouts, and celebrations, slipped by and here we are almost into fall. The shelter, once open and welcome to the public, has now been closed except for appointments. Our volunteers and staff have been reduced to keep everyone at a safe social distance. In addition, we have had to cancel the majority of our fundraisers. It has been sad not to see the faces of our community at these fun and very important events.

We miss you, and still need your support! Sending a donation isn't as much fun as visiting over hot bowls of homemade soups or finding some "treasure" at the yearly rummage sale, but the need is still very real and has not been put on hold, like so much has been, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please know that we are here, fighting the good fight, and hoping to see you all very soon. Stay safe, be kind to one another, and thank you so very much for your support!!





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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.