

Humane Society of Elmore County News – 21 Nov '16  
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This is a week to slow down and give thanks for all that is good in our lives. As a non-profit, and as a group of animal loving people, we are incredibly grateful to so many who help us be here for the animals that need us day in and day out. Our Shelter is truly blessed to have such a dedicated Staff and Board of Directors who have only the best interest of our pets in the forefront at all times. The pets in our care need us 365 days/year so rest assured they are being well cared for every single day, even on Thanksgiving! And our Board exemplifies dedication at all times as they work tirelessly to ensure our shelter is the best it can be now and into the future.

As a Member organization we are grateful to all of our members as they help us chart the course of our shelter and support our work. Volunteers are truly the lifeblood of our shelter family and we want each and every volunteer to know how very much we appreciate your selfless service. Our volunteers help in so many ways such as our Tail's End Thrift Store (100% volunteer run); in our Shelter exercising/bathing/caring for our pets; at our off-site adoption events; helping man our table/booth at numerous area events; helping us with our fund-raising events; fostering pets; as photographers so that our pets can be seen; and so much more! We are also grateful to everyone who shares our adoptable pets to help them find homes; who tell others about us to grow our 'family' and all who simply provide moral support as we are a better shelter with your help.

We ask everyone to please thank their area Animal Control Officers who work tirelessly and with little fanfare to protect the public & help animals in need. To all of the Veterinarians who help pets every single day – thank you so much for working hard to educate pet owners and help pets live better and longer lives.

Our shelter enjoys incredible support from so many individuals, businesses, civic groups and the media who donate money, supplies, pet food, services; who invite us to join in on their events and who help get the word out about our work. We just cannot thank everyone enough for all you to do help us remain a viable service for people and pets alike.

Special thanks to those who give wonderful homes to our adopted pets and those who rescue pets in need. We are indebted to the public who supports our mission directly and indirectly – your moral support for the welfare of animals is important to all of us in the sheltering community and helps keep us going on the down days. A group that we also want to thank is those we may never meet. Thank you to all those who love and care for your pets, keep them safe at home, make sure they are a part of your family and cherish them always.

Our final and most heartfelt thanks go to all the wonderful animals that ask so little of us but give so much in return. Our pets truly epitomize selfless love and we are grateful for the love, joy and companionship they bring to our homes and families.

We hope everyone has a family filled Thanksgiving and so that our staff can also enjoy some time with family, the shelter & Tail's End Thrift Store will be closed 24 & 25 Nov, but will be back open on Sat, 26 Nov. **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**