FETCH! October 2020

Make Rain the Queen of Your Castle!



While Rain has enjoyed and thrived during her reign over our shelter, she wants to step down and retire to a loving forever home.

She is a beautiful 5-year-old Long Haired German Shepherd and is a wonderful companion. She's intelligent, athletic, cuddly, and playful. She spends her mornings cuddling with her foster parent, and the remainder of her day playing fetch and entertaining herself with her red rubber Kong ball. One of Rain's favourite things to do is go for a walk. She's an avid hiker and loves checking out new scenery and terrain. Rain is looking to be the only pet in the home as she is a princess after all! You can read her profile in full here.

Thanksgiving Challenge



OMHS staff gathered this past week for a Prance off to demonstrate how easy it is to get "our house" dancing in support of Prancing with the Stars. Many thanks to Karen Moniz, owner and Dance Instructor at **Come Dancing!!** for leading our pack of dancers.

As you gather with your household this weekend, we are challenging you to take a moment to celebrate with us by showing us your dance moves! <u>Share</u> them with us to help the animals in our<u>Prancing with the</u> <u>Stars</u> video dance competition. For every dance video submitted, our friends at Royal Canin will donate \$250 to Prancing with the Stars (up to \$10,000)!

Registered Veterinary Technicians Month!

Why Did You Choose to be an RVT?

Did you know October is RVT month in Canada?Registered Veterinary Technicians (RVTs) play a crucial role in your pets' health at each and every vet visit. At the shelter we are fortunate to have three amazing RVTs on site. They are in charge of making sure each and every animal at the shelter is cared for and gets proper and prompt medical attention. Find out <u>here</u> why they each decided to become an RVT.



Andrea Cormier



Holly Crone



Emily Belsito

Community Outreach and Engagement

Building a More Humane Community: Heather White

Humane education helps foster compassion in children's relationships with both animals and people. As Manager of Community Outreach and Education (COE) at the Oakville & Milton Humane Society (OMHS), Heather White champions programs and events that teach



important life skills such as empathy and compassion through the human-animal relationship. "The humane movement is about compassion, connection, education and action. It is about protecting the most vulnerable in our society and focuses on minimizing or eliminating suffering of living beings," explains Heather.

"We become a humane community one person at a time and we can all make changes to get us closer to the end goal. These include: being more humane as a consumer, spaying and neutering, adopting, educating ourselves about animals and their needs, supporting laws that improve the quality of life for animals, reporting animal abuse, leading by example, and financially supporting those organizations that further animal welfare," she adds. Read<u>more.</u>

Adoptions

Shelter Adoption 101: What to Do Before, During & After for the Best Experience

It can be such an incredible feeling to discover the perfect pet for your family. However, in order to make the best match there are many things to consider. It's important you make the time to carefully consider your options and needs, after all, you will likely have that new family member for many years!

The following are some general things to consider when you are adopting from our shelter:

• You are making an incredible difference in the life of the animal you have just adopted. Thank you so much for giving a shelter animal a second chance.



• Be honest with yourself and the shelter staff about the characteristics you want in your pet and let them guide you in your choice.

• If you do not have a veterinarian, please take the time to find a clinic. Your pet is going to need one for preventatives like vaccines and for medical attention when he/she is sick or injured. They are also a great resource. For more adoption tips please click <u>here</u>

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Nail Trims are Back!

Nail trims are available again at our shelter for your cat or small animal for just \$15! Book your appointment today by clicking <u>here.</u>



Holiday Online Auction Coming Soon

It's almost that time of year to start thinking about holiday shopping (or maybe some of you already are). We are excited to be able to offer some truly wonderful items later this month for auction. So <u>stay</u> <u>tuned</u> for more details to come on how you can bid, cross items off your shopping list and help the animals at the same time!



Online Holiday Auction

OCTOBER 21-28

- Electronics
- Jewelry
- Art
- Golf Packages
- Gift Cards
- Pet Gifts

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and much more!

omhs.ca/bid

Volunteer Recognition

Volunteer Award Nominations extended until October 19!

OMHS is excited to celebrate and acknowledge the amazing work with of our new Volunteer Awards Program in 2020. We could not do what we do for the animals without the support of our team of more than 450 volunteers. Presentations will be made virtually and will be featured on our website, Facebook and in Fetch. To nominate a volunteer contact us at coe@omhs.ca or 905-845-1551, extension 305.



Thanks to QRX Technology Group

A big paws up to **QRX** Technology Group for recently donating three 3 Lexmark B&W multifunction printers to the shelter. The printers have enabled staff and



volunteers to get far more work done in less time than ever!

Happy Thanksgiving and Halloween from OMHS!



 Lost a Pet?
 Found a Pet?
 Dog Licenses
 Pet ID Kit



Oakville & Milton Humane Society

