

# The Pawsitive Press!



The Volunteer and Foster Newsletter

for Greenhill Humane Society and 1st Avenue

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## Capturing Cute

A HUGE shout out to our teams of volunteer photographers and videographers who come out each week and capture so much cuteness! Check out some of what the Greenhill and 1st Avenue Dog, Cat and Small Animal Photo/Video volunteers have captured recently below! *You all do such a great job showcasing how adorable the animals are. Who knows how many "matches" you have made with the work you do!* If you are interested in joining a team, please let the Volunteer Dept. know. We have several openings to join the fun!

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### PAW PRINT PERSONALS!



**Bonnie!**

Loving and affectionate girl seeking a lap I can sit on all day long! Come see me at Greenhill!



**Agathal**

Sweet and sophisticated lady looking for a quiet and loving new home where I can live out the rest of my years indoors! Come meet me at 1st Avenue!



**Lobo!**

Handsome, energetic male, looking for the perfect home where I can have tons of space to run! Come say hi at Greenhill!

### Volunteer of the Month: Julia O.

Meet **Julia**, our Volunteer of the Month for April! Julia has been volunteering since February 2017 and has contributed over **160 hours** of service to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Shelter. We can always count on Julia to come out each week to clean kennels and walk and train dogs in the Dog Enrichment Program. She has even contributed her own original artwork to help with educational purposes and spruce up the shelter!

Julia's favorite part of volunteering with us is being able to provide a sense of calm for the dogs, whether by taking them for walks or providing toys and bedding they enjoy. She says, "It makes me feel warm and happy when I can tell that the doggies I've worked with have gotten good mental and physical exercise and can lay down on their beds and rest, feeling fulfilled."



Volunteering has also helped her make both two- and four-legged friends and has given her a sense of purpose. Julia says it "feels great to have a way to give back to the community while also having a sense of belonging when I am with my colleagues at the shelter."

Julia lived in Brooklyn, New York, until moving to Eugene 8 years ago. She is an artist who works in video, animation, and drawing. One of the first pieces she did in Oregon was a 6-minute animated

video called Laika's Lullaby, a tribute to Laika the Soviet Space Dog. It can be found at [juliaoldham.com/videos/laikas-lullaby.html](http://juliaoldham.com/videos/laikas-lullaby.html).

Although Julia currently volunteers exclusively with 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue (and we are so honored!), she has also applied to volunteer with a spay/neuter clinic for stray dogs and cats in the exclusion zone of Chernobyl in Ukraine this summer! She has three dogs of her own with whom she loves to go camping and hiking. Volunteering at First Avenue has taught her "many methods for gaining the trust of dogs that have been through terrible ordeals, and I've learned how to be patient and persistent when a dog doesn't like me right away."

### Fosters of the Month: All of You!

In honor of National Volunteer Month, we wanted to acknowledge **all of our wonderful foster parents and families for our Foster of the Month!** We have over 100 foster families that contribute to saving over 700 animals' lives each year! We appreciate each and every one of you! We definitely couldn't do it on our own. Thank you for all of your love, time, and commitment. You all are so amazing and special, and we hope you all know how valuable you really are! Thank you for everything you do!





**Dexter (was Mischief)  
Adopted 2/12/18!**



**17 days at Greenhill!**

Dexter is doing great! He has adjusted well. He's not so good with other dogs but he's really good with people. He chews the furniture but we are working on that. He knows all the basics, and is all housebroken so no problem with that. We keep him on a strict eating schedule. His vet visit is all done. He is fun and caring. Our GH experience was smooth, great!

**Jack—Adopted 1/12/18!**



**Fostered by:  
Terry D.**

Jack is a very active kitten. He is happy and a fireball of energy. He is taking over the household and making himself at home. He gets along great with everyone in the family. My son has decided that he wants to help look after Jack with feeding, cleaning the litter box, and playing with him. Jack has livened up our household. We have no behavior concerns, or health concerns. He is eating and toileting good. We have had our wellness visit and all is good with Jack. We had a wonderful experience at Greenhill and everyone was very helpful.

**Nemo  
Adopted 2/13/18!**



**17 days at Greenhill!**

Nemo is a sweetheart and doing well. By putting the two cages next to each other our other sugar gliders have slowly accepted him. We just did the first direct controlled interaction and it went well. Thanks for checking in.

**Sarah—Adopted 2/9/18!**

We left her name as Sarah. She has been great. She's still a kitten, so she likes to play and climb on the drapes, but we were prepared for that when we adopted her. We know she will settle down as she gets older. We haven't noticed any temperament or behavior issues that we are concerned about. She's been to the vet and is healthy. The kids and grandkids love her!



**Fostered by: Anita L.**



## Hairison Furrd Adopted 2/22/18!



### 9 days at First Avenue!

Harrison is doing very well. Settled in, eating good and getting along with my other cat. I am very happy about the adoption process - all went very smooth. No vet check yet but it is on my calendar.

## Freyja (was Maleficent)—Adopted 2/28/18!

We went to the shelter and I fell in love, no question. She has fit into our family just perfect—turned into a puppy, happy puppy mode. She's full of energy and gets me to exercise, like I need. We brought our daughters in and she seemed to like them a lot. She loves them and has been protective, but that's normal trying to fit in and her breed. I have nothing negative to say at all. Freyja has bonded with whole family, all four of us. We have no other pets. My mom has a dog and they get along. I used the vet certificate and her stitches have healed wonderfully. She's a little itchy, but I think it's because of the shave. He said her skin looks healthy. We are going to come into shelter, whenever I'm available to do that.



### 25 days at First Avenue!

## Becky (with the Good Hair) Adopted 1/6/18!



### Fostered by: Tori B.

Becky's name suits her. She is a perfect fit for our family; she is doing great. She gets along great with our other cat, in fact they are inseparable. They eat sleep and play together. Becky has a big appetite. We took her to the vet and got her shots and exam done; she is very healthy. We had a great experience at Greenhill. The staff and the volunteers were very helpful.

## Tiny Tim—Adopted 2/23/18!

We are calling him Lil Bub. He is well behaved no issues with barking. He had a vet appointment and the vet said not to be concerned about the overbite. I think it gives him character. He does have a little separation anxiety and we are working on that. Lil Bub is rarely left home by himself. I am able to take him with me when I volunteer. The people love to see him. He loves to play, He is very sweet, smart, lovable and loves to sleep in my bed. I am so thankful that I was able to adopt my new Lil Bub. Everyone at Greenhill was so wonderful.



### Fostered by: Mike & Dana U.



Deneys F. (FAS kennel) got "caught" raking the Courtyard and helping make sure it was looking good for potential adopter meet and greets. Thank you so much for being willing to take on additional tasks and always keeping an eye out for creative ways to support the animals. We appreciate you!

Sally M. (FAS cattery) got "caught" helping to "rethread" those long apron strings through a volunteer apron that wasn't usable any more. That is such a not fun task - we so appreciate that you take the time even for these random acts of kindness in addition to all the many other things you do!



Foster love by: Amy H.

Cindy A. (FAS kennel) got "caught" stepping in to help with a dog intro while staff members were busy. Thank you so much for always keeping an eye out for potential adopters and even recruiting volunteers in the process. We are so grateful for all the ways you help the dogs!

Katie L. (Volunteer Department Intern) got "caught" spending a LOT of time figuring out and fixing the Greenhill volunteer check-in computer monitor. Thank you for your patience and endurance to fix it- you saved the day!

## Get to Know the Staff!

### Staff Kennel Card



Becky Hubbard

**Staff Profile:**

**Favorite animal:**  
Cats, cats & more cats!

**I enjoy:**  
Hanging with my cats!, going to the beach, dinner with friends

**Favorite song:**  
Stray Cat Strut by the Stray Cats

**People describe me as:**  
Sweet with semi-feral tendencies

**I'm afraid of:**  
People

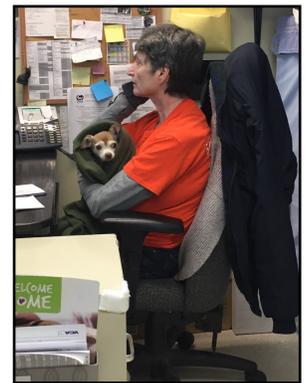
**Position: Certified Veterinary Technician**

**Description:**

Female Human, Native species of Oregon  
Distinguishing marks or characteristics: My cat-like reflexes

**Intake Info:**

<b>Start Date</b> 09/2012	<b>Favorite part of the job</b> Helping the helpless
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Vicky and Hyacinth



Astro by: Lindsay R.

“ Fostering for Greenhill is a small amount of effort for a huge amount of payoff.

Tori B. - Foster Parent

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“ Volunteering at Greenhill has shown me that there is a large community of caring, dedicated people. ”

Dawn Bence - Volunteer



Anna O. and Luna Bear

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### Kitten Season is Coming!

Do you love kittens (of course you do!) and have a little extra time and a lot of extra love in your home? Well, kitten season is coming soon and we are always looking for more foster families for kittens and bottle babies! If you would like more information on how you can help, please contact the foster dept. at 541-689-1503 ext. 114 or 116 or send us an email at [foster@green-hill.org](mailto:foster@green-hill.org)!



## Club Awards!

\*achieved a milestone for life volunteer hours since club awards were last published



Kevin M.—263 hours  
Susan D.—269 hours  
Eileen M.—272 hours  
Laurel H.—277 hours  
Sylvia L.—280 hours  
Christine G.—281 hours



Eric E.—756 hours  
Paige A.—778 hours  
Lorrie P.—779 hours



Sherry H.—1,004 hours



Carol B.—501 hours  
Leah P.—506 hours



Ann C.—2,061 hours  
Cindy A.—2,144 hours  
Janice H.—2,492 hours

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

### Volunteers

#### 1 year-

Liam B., Margaret B., Judith D., Franzeca D., Jordan F., Will J., Anne K., Hollie M., Sharon M., Franz M., Camille O., Anna P., Enda P.

#### 2 year-

Cheryl C., Becca H., Kevin M., Michael M.

#### 3 year-

Sam C., Robyn S.

#### 4 year-

Judy A.

#### 5 year-

Linda K., Dave W.

#### 18 year-

Barbara R.

## April

### Fosters

#### 1 year-

Tory B., Sasha E., Ashley H., Michelle J., Amanda J., Misaki K. & Isaac G., Danielle L., Lauren M., Christine P., Katie R., Rory T.

#### 2 year-

Coraly P.

#### 4 year-

Dixie M., Michelle M.

#### 5 year-

Lois K., Diane M.

#### 13 year-

Bill B., Aletta B., Jeanne H., Janell M.

#### 18 year-

Barbara R.