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A Quiet Legacy

Jane Mobley often walked into the Kansas Humane Society (KHS) lobby to deliver toilet paper rolls, which are used to make enrichment toys for our animals. But we really didn't know much about her.

When she died on September 1, she left behind so much more — a \$116,000 estate gift. Jane had

made KHS partial beneficiary of a stock account. Thanks to her financial advisor Don Barry, a former KHS board member who told us about the plan, KHS President/CEO, Mark Eby, and Chief Development Officer, Lynette Murphy, were able to meet with Jane in July to thank her for her gift and make sure

her wishes for expenditure of the money were met.

At the time, Jane, who had cancer, was expected to live longer. She talked about her greyhound-lab mix Angel and how much animals meant to her. She grew up on a farm near Manhattan, Kansas, so animals were an important part of her life

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Letter from the CEO

As I sit here with Harley reflecting on the past year, I am in awe of all we accomplished here at the Kansas Humane Society. It's because of your support that we were able to provide the medical and behavioral care, as well as shelter, food and much more, to the thousands of animals who came through our doors in 2014 — you are truly a hero for the animals.

Throughout this newsletter you will read stories about animals who directly benefited from your support, including Zoe, who is best friends with a rabbit, Lola, who loves to lick her feline sibling, and Sheeba, who healed her human companion. These are just a few examples of the difference we make with our community by our side.

We are so grateful to all the heroes in our community. We know that heroes don't always wear capes and costumes — our heroes volunteer to help a dog who is lost and scared, spend an hour or two each week providing love and comfort to the cats waiting for their new homes, and make financial contributions that allow us to accomplish so much for the animals.

We are so thankful for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Mark Eby, President & CEO



Mark & Harley
Adopted in 2014



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growing up. A physical therapist by profession, she and her late husband had no children and wanted to make a legacy gift to help animals.

Would you consider including KHS in your estate as Jane did? You can direct your future gift to a specific cause or it can be unrestricted, which means it helps to save more animals and care for them while they are here in their temporary homes.

Plans are in place to establish a special giving group at KHS to honor those who have created legacy gifts. To explore this option, please talk with your attorney or financial advisor and/

or contact Lynette Murphy, Chief Development Officer, at (316) 220-8703 or lmurphy@kshumane.org.



In Memory of Jane Mobley

Your legacy continues.

Happy Tails



We adopted **Zoe** in December 2013. Her name was Darcy, but we felt Zoe was more fitting. She was very shy and evasive when we brought her home, but she soon bonded with our male Dutch rabbit Benny and they are now the best of friends. We are very happy with the addition to our family!

The newest addition to my family, previously Jasmine, now **Lola**, is already my shadow! I am so thankful for her coming into my life. Not so sure if her feline brother agrees yet, because she keeps trying to lick him. Thank you to the Kansas Humane Society for saving her life so she could be in mine!



I just wanted to thank KHS. Fifteen years ago you gave me my best friend: a beautiful white/black striped Siamese mix named **Sheeba**. She became my whole existence. I loved her more than anyone or anything else. She saw me through the deepest depression and hard times of my life and showed me how precious life can be. She was my rock, my angel, my best friend and soul mate, and I owe her everything. Even though she has passed on now,

not a day goes by that I don't think of her. Some days I still smile at the memories of her silly antics; like her never-ending war of what was under her pillow making that noise (me scratching the underside of the pillow). Thank you KHS. You didn't just save her life when you rescued her; you saved mine and gave me something most people never find or fully understand: pure unconditional love.

I wanted to thank you for allowing me the privilege of adopting Bear (now **BJ**) earlier this year. He's brought so much joy to our lives. My hubby is disabled (panic attacks) and BJ has become really attached and in-tune with him. BJ has helped him with his panic attacks so much. They're going to be starting training classes this winter so BJ can be a certified service dog for him.



Community Support

We're so grateful for the support of our community. In the fall of 2014, Star Flooring and Decorating hosted an adoption event at its West Street store where people were able to meet adoptable dogs looking for new homes. Star also held a fundraiser where 10% of sales for STAINMASTER® PetProtect® products were donated to KHS during September.



Check Presentation in October 2014. Pictured (left to right) Deb Morrow, STAINMASTER; Heather Williams, Star; Nancy Wasson, Star; Ryan Walker, Star; Gary Johnston, STAINMASTER; Mark Eby, Kansas Humane Society; Jacque Jolly, Star; Patrick Goebel, Star; Allen Clouse, Star

"We were thrilled to partner with the Kansas Humane Society and INVISTA's STAINMASTER® carpet brand on such a wonderful event for our community," said Ryan Walker, vice president of Kansas Star Flooring and Decorating.

Thanks to offsite adoption events like this, KHS is able to save more animals, increase community awareness and raise more money to help the animals in our care. More than 50 animals were adopted at offsite events in 2014!

If you or your business would like to hold a fundraiser, please contact our Development Coordinator, Lillian Gattis, at lgattis@kshumane.org or call (316) 220-8707.

Feeding Thousands

Our partnership with the Hill's Food, Shelter & Love™ program provides the thousands of animals we serve each year with nutritious meals at a significantly reduced cost. For some of our pets, this is the first quality meal they've ever eaten. With Hill's support, we don't have to worry about how we're going to feed the thousands of dogs and cats we care for each year. They are healthier and happier which increases their chance to find a forever home.

Nationwide, Hill's has provided over \$275 million worth of food to nearly 1,000 shelters, 365 days a year, helping more than 7 million pets find a new home.

The support doesn't stop once animals are adopted from our shelter. Hill's also gives our adopters a FREE bag of premium food, including the option to try the new Ideal Balance food. Shelter pets continue to receive excellent nutrition even after adoption.

Hill's is also a big supporter of KHS's fundraising and community awareness efforts. Hill's sponsored the 2015 KHS Pets and Their People Calendar, have been a top sponsor at Woofstock for many years, and supports our adoption events.

Would you like to be a Woofstock sponsor or support an adoption event? Please contact our Development Coordinator, Lillian Gattis, at lgattis@kshumane.org or call (316) 220-8707.



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