



HOLIDAY 2025

Pet Gazette



From the Shelter – You Make Our Spirits Bright!

Heartfelt stories, gratitude, and happy endings from UPAWS.

As we wrap up our 50th anniversary year, we're filled with gratitude for the love and support surrounding UPAWS. Because of you, 2025 has been a year of hope, healing, and hundreds of happy endings — from the opening of our new Veterinary Center to pets now resting in the comfort of home. Every donation, every volunteer hour, every act of kindness lights the way for second chances.

This holiday season, we celebrate the pets who've found their forever families — and the people, like you, who make it all possible.

*With heartfelt thanks,
All of us at UPAWS*



Families Found, Hearts Full ❤️

From snowy mornings to sunny days — your love made these happy endings possible.

🐾 Winnie & Buck - a Family Reunion



When Audrey adopted **Winnie** last September, she had no idea she was also gaining a connection to another UPAWS alum. Months later, Audrey's friend adopted, a UPAWS dog, **Buck**—and they soon discovered the two were actually siblings! Their bond grows every time they meet and joy abounds!

Winnie was once our energetic wild child, while Buck was timid and unsure. Now they're both thriving in loving homes and share joyful "sibling play dates" full of zoomies and cuddles. Winnie helps Buck come out of his shell, and Buck gives Winnie the confidence she never had before.

🐾 Two Sisters, One Loving Home



Tommy and Glorilla arrived at UPAWS as teen sister moms. After their kittens were adopted, the two were left waiting for a home of their own. A wonderful couple chose to adopt them so they wouldn't lose each other after such a hard start.

Now renamed Jyn and Beru, they're thriving. They chase foam balls, nap on their sunny cat tree, and mix cuddles with mischief. Seeing these sisters safe, happy, and still side by side makes their update especially touching.

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Upcoming Events

UPAWS Holiday Shop

Thru December
Location at UPAWS
Community Center

**Featuring holiday
décor, gifts, ornaments,
pet items & more — all
supporting the animals
at UPAWS!**

UPAWS Raise the Woof

Comedy Show

January 9, 2026
Up North Lodge
Gwinn, MI

UPAWS Gala
April 18, 2026
Location TBD

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more information or
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From the Shelter Manager

A Season of Healing and New Beginnings

As we reflect on UPAWS' 50th Anniversary year, I am filled with gratitude for the community that surrounds and supports us. This year has brought incredible growth- especially with the opening of our new UPAWS Surgery Center.

After months of planning, hard work, and incredible community support, our dream of having an on-site medical space has become a reality.

The new center allows our staff and volunteer veterinarians to perform spay/neuter surgeries and essential treatments right here in our building. And with every procedure, we're giving animals faster care, and less stress.



UPAWS Manager Sarah Yeager with staff and one of our Volunteer Vets for UPAWS Pets at the new UPAWS Veterinary Center — where healing and second chances begin.

We're deeply grateful to everyone who helped bring this vision to life — donors, volunteers, local businesses, and longtime supporters. Your generosity made this milestone possible. Our new Surgery Center is more than a room with equipment — it's a promise to give every animal who comes through our doors the best chance at a healthy, happy life.

Thank you for being part of our journey — your support truly saves lives.

Sarah Yeager

UPAWS Manager

*"Every pet who finds love
begins with someone who cared."*

A Special Year-End Giving Opportunity

As the year wraps up, here's a meaningful way to support UPAWS while possibly lowering your taxable income. If you are required to take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your retirement account, you can donate a portion of it directly to UPAWS.

This type of gift can offer tax advantages while funding lifesaving care, medical support, and programs like our new Veterinary Center.

Talk with your financial advisor to see if this option fits your plans. Your generosity makes a lasting difference for the animals who need you most.

Kids at UPAWS



Meet Our Youngest Lifetime Members Ever



Emma (6) and Gabby (9) enjoy reading to shelter cats.

We're thrilled to introduce Emma (6) and Gabby Swanson (9) – UPAWS' newest and youngest lifetime members! These amazing girls volunteer alongside their grandmother, Crystal Swanson, a veteran volunteer and lifetime member who recently gifted them their memberships.

What do our youngest volunteers do? Emma and Gabby tackle everything from laundry and dishes to recycling pop cans and kitten socialization. Emma even has a special talent — she recites 'My Dog Bob' from memory to help cats drift off to sleep!

The girls live in Marquette with their parents, Wesly and Joy, plus two dogs and three cats of their own. Future veterinarian Gabby sums it up perfectly: 'More people helping animals means they can get homes faster.'

Read to Your Shelter Pet (K-8)

A calm, confidence-building way for kids to spend quiet time with animals. This small and cozy program welcomes just a few children per session (**usually the last Thursday of the month, 4:15-5:00 PM**) to read aloud to our cats and small critters.

Each child must be accompanied by a registered adult, making it a wonderful shared experience for families. It's especially meaningful for kids who enjoy gentle, one-on-one moments — helping them relax, build confidence, and connect with animals in a kind and caring way.

Learn more or register at upaws.org/read-to-your-shelter-pet. You can also find our next session on [Facebook](#).

Read to Your Shelter Pet Program
UPAWS One-on-One Youth Reading Time



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Read with UPAWS: Virtual Video Reading Program



Can't make it to the shelter? You can still join the fun from your home! Our **"Read with UPAWS"** Virtual Program features over 20 storybook videos about pets, kindness, and animal care — perfect for home or classroom.

► Presented by UPAWS and sponsored by the *Literacy Legacy Fund of Michigan*. Watch now at upaws.org/kids-resources.

 **For Teachers:** Invite a UPAWS Educational Volunteer to your classroom to share information about UPAWS, animal care, and the importance of kindness. ✉ Email: volunteer@upaws.org

 **Looking Ahead:** More youth and family programs coming in 2026 — stay tuned at upaws.org!

 Note: Volunteers in-shelter must be 18+, but young animal lovers—like Emma and Gabby—can still help through Read to Your Shelter Pet and family-friendly UPAWS programs.

Wisp's Second Chance at Life

From critical condition to bright, fierce, and full of life.

When Wisp arrived at UPAWS, she was barely more than a shadow of a cat — **severely hypothermic, dangerously underweight at just over 3 pounds, and fighting a heavy parasite load**. She was so weak that the staff weren't sure she would survive her first night.

Our vet tech, Meghan, placed an IV catheter and began warmed fluids immediately — **Meghan brought Wisp home to provide round-the-clock care**, keeping her temperature stable, continuing her fluid therapy, and monitoring every small change. Those first hours were frightening. Every breath felt like a question mark.

For several days, it was touch-and-go. But Wisp fought. Slowly, she lifted her head. Then she stood. Then she demanded attention with a raspy little meow.



Healthy, bright-eyed, & full of life — Wisp is proof of what compassion can do.

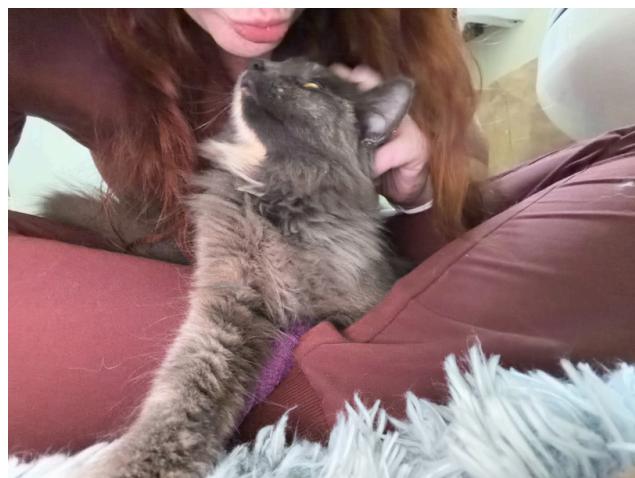
After several weeks of warmth, nutrition, and dedicated medical care, Wisp transformed.

Today, she weighs 4.5 pounds, is bright-eyed, spirited, affectionate, and absolutely full of life. She's a total spitfire — and a living reminder of what love, skill, and second chances can do.

Because of your support, animals like Wisp get the urgent care they need — and the beautiful futures they deserve. **Your compassion turns fear into hope — and hope into healing.**

Wisp is here today because compassion saves lives.

One tiny heartbeat at a time.



UPAWS vet. tech Meghan provided round-the-clock care, taking Wisp home for intensive monitoring.



Wisp on arrival — so small, so cold, so scared, and trying her hardest to survive.

The Rainbow Bridge of Love

For many of us, pets leave the deepest pawprints on our hearts. The new Rainbow Bridge of Love at UPAWS offers a peaceful place to honor those beloved companions. Each visit, each memory, and each name shared here becomes part of a living tribute — a reminder that love endures long after our pets have crossed the bridge.

Honor a Pet with a Rainbow Bridge Tag

Families can now choose to honor a beloved pet by placing a memorial tag directly on the Rainbow Bridge. **These beautifully crafted Red Dingo tags** are engraved with your pet's name and become part of a shared tribute — hanging gently among other cherished companions.

Tags may be purchased in memory of a pet, as a gift of remembrance, or to honor a friend's pet who has crossed the bridge. Each tag helps support UPAWS and continues a legacy of love. Tags can be added to the Rainbow Bridge all year long.

Rainbow Bridge tags honor the pets who shaped our lives and still hold a place in our hearts.



The Rainbow Bridge of Love was generously donated by Stephen and Sarah LaCrosse and Tom and Amy Van Ess in loving memory of Dusty, Buddy, Sophie, Stanley, Zoe and Cinder.

How to Order a Memorial

Visit:

upaws.org/upaws-memorial-bricks-tiles-tags
Email info@upaws.org or call 906-475-6661

Memorials may honor pets, people, or special moments.

Installed seasonally as weather allows.

Remember, Honor, and Celebrate

Every tribute gift to UPAWS carries a story — a beloved pet, a dear friend, or a family member who touched someone's heart. These gifts do more than honor a life; they also provide comfort, safety, and second chances for animals who need them most.

Many supporters choose to remember or celebrate someone special through a memorial donation, while others create a lasting tribute in our Memorial Garden with a brick, black granite tile, or pet tag. Each gesture, big or small, becomes part of the lifesaving work happening at UPAWS every day.

Love remembered becomes love that saves.

To learn more about Tribute Gifts or Memorial Garden tributes, visit upaws.org, email info@upaws.org or call 906-475-6661.

A simple act of remembrance can change everything for an animal in need.



Tribute bricks, tiles, and tags in the UPAWS Memorial Garden honor the lives of beloved pets and people.

Thank You Donors & Supporters

Your support plays a crucial role in helping the animals.

Memorials and Honorariums from May 1st to October 31st, 2025

Fortunately, our list is comprehensive.

If by any chance we missed someone or something,
we apologize and kindly inform us.



In Honor of:

Ann Brownell From: Crystal Swanson
Craig Coccia From: Raeta Mayo
Lauren Culpepper From: Colleen Wells
Howard Shear's Birthday From: Betty Gustafson
Bob Schacht From: Karlyn Rapport
Stuga North's 5 yr. Celebration From: Bonnie & Wayne Petzke
Jamie Warner's B'Day From: Steven & David Syrja

In Memory of:

Charles "Chuck" Anderson From: Dale Anderson
Rae Marie Asayag From: Phyllis Griffin
Matthew Attalai From: Christine Attalai, Linda Bradley
Paul Bagby From: Debra Pfeiffer, Darlene Seely
David Bahrman From: Lynn Olson
Robin Beaudry From: Nicole O'Neill
Robin Beeakry From: Farral Beradtke
Darlene Briggs From: Michael Drennon
Jean Callewaert From: Lynn Konzer & Family
Rachel Crary From: Linda Matthews, Joanna Mitchell, Kathleen Pohl
Georgia Curry From: Mariana Bernheisel, Pat Cheal, Nancy Daase, Sue Hinkley, Martha Seaman McKee, Patrick O'Rourke, Monica Palinski
Joyce Dupras From: Melissa Hill
Stephen Dupras From: K.J. Bollero, Wayne Beyer, Robert & Kathy Brumm, Deborah Dupras, Greg Dupras, Jenkins Family, Randall & Lynn Johnson, Susan Jones, Karen Nygard, David & Cheryl Oberstar, Tina Ostwald, Kathleen Pohl
Iris E. Erickson From: Craig Coccia
James & Dorothy Fagan From: Jennifer Fegan
Bryan Filizetti From: Angela Boug, Wayne & Judith Charbonneau, Bonnie Hartzell, Jacqueline Lahti, Marilyn Ryan
Pearl Filizetti From: Lynn Beghin, Judy Filizetti, William Pelkola, Mary Yelle
Steven Gill From: Marilyn Lampinen
Garrett Russell Green From: Tina & Jerry Case, Gary & Lori Garceau
Abigail Sierra Gross From: Matt & Tanya Gross
Larry Gunville From: Douglas Weesen
Warren Harrington From: Richard & Victoria Demboski, Arlette & George Dubord, Earl & Jean Eliason, Jacqueline Gallagher, Karen Goins & Roberta Bray, Ann & James Golden, Gary & Linda Goodman, Kellie Holmstrom & Craig Coccia, Ruth Holmstrom, Denise Huss, David & Karen Kimar-Johnson, Mary & Ray Kuczwar, Philip Moran, Tina Ostwald, Richard & Colleen Peura, Cindy & Kevin Rourke, Alan Taylor, Christine Zini
Maggie Havican From: Arlene Slitor
Amanda Henson From: Mary P. Henson
Greg Hintsala From: Elizabeth Lizotte & David York
Ken Hoog From: Gloria Hoog
Edmund Holmgren From: Barbara Dale, Rick & Jennie Dault, Pamela Holmgren, Susan Holmgren, Colleen Juidici, Michael Lempinen, Ronald & Sheree Mariani, Marlene & Phil Ombrello, Edie Shandonay, Pamela Skauge

Don Hurst From: Lynn Anderson, Joan Dostaler, Keith & Vada Kepler, Richard & Colleen Peura

Edith Isaacson From: Donna Jacisin

Esther Johnson From: Judith Ashby, James & Beverly Boyer, Gary & Linda Goodman, Lucia Harrington, Mark & Kathleen Hirvonen, Billy & Christine Jenkins, Keith & Alice Johnson, Lorraine Johnson, Deanna Keranen, Carol Kruse, Jill Nelson, Terry & Judith Parlato, Dale & Carol Pelkola, Lori Pelkola, Ann & John Pillote, Cynthia Pillote, Kathy Pillote, Karen Sanford, Jerry & Teresa Zielinski, Data Recognition Corp.

Michael "Mickey" Johnson From: Adeline Beauchaine, Dan & Patricia Benson, Ken & Linda Bullock, Kristy Burt, Robert & Barb Cambensy, Robert & Barbra Chenail, Richard Demboski, Michelle Den Beste, M.G. Fisher, Laura & Richard Goodman, Marius Grazulis, Katherine Jandron, Karla Jones, Gerald Kulbieda, Shirley Makela, Connie Manhood, Vineta Miller, Karen & Dewayne Nygard, Barbara & Gerald Ojibway, Lawrence Ruffatto, Peter Ruokola, Lisa Trumbell, Negaunee H.S. Staff

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Marianne Maynard From: Sandra & Shane Place

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Mike Molby From: Linda Dionne, Linda Goodman

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Ginger Bartenan From: Ruby Bartenan

Hannah & Ruby Norman From: Gail Hoholik Jacobs

Heather & Sophie From: Jeffrey & Julie Stricker

Henry From: Sherry Makela

Izzy Young From: Sarah Young

Jax Srock From: Gail Hoholik Jacobs

Jewel Osterhout From: Gail Hoholik Jacobs

Jewel From: Lynn Olson

Kay/Tea Roberts From: Mary Koski

Kiwi Lemerand From: William Sullivan

Laika From: Amy Robare

Leah Hambleton From: Michael & Elissa Kellner

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Maggie Stine From: Shelly & Stephen Bailey

Molly Bucheger From: Susan & Duane Bucheger

Molly Carlson From: Arnold & Jean Carlson

Moses From: Nancy Hamlin

Murphy & Ruckus From: Pat Finkbeiner

Nellie From: Susan Menhennick

Oden Hyry From: Patrick & Shirley Wealton

Peanut Monroe Lutens From: Dawn Moyle

Prince From: William Pelkola

Rocky & Harvey From: Linda Dionne

Sarah, Binky & Bella From: Barbara Wood

Taffey Thomsen From: Karlyn Rapport

Troubles Barr From: Gail Hoholik Jacobs

Uma From: Dean Warlin

Zoey Peppin From: Jo Foley

In Honor of Pets:

Chief Anderson From: Dolores & Raymond Mattson

Dolly, Ann & Remington From: Donald & Judith Meyer (special note)

Eegee & Cecilia Brownell From: Ann & Garrett Brownell

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