

The Volunteer Voice

News from the Riverside Shelters



Volunteer of the Month **Ondrea Rodriguez**



Our Volunteer of the Month is Ondrea Rodriguez she has been volunteering with Riverside Animal Services since May of 2010.

Ondrea always

comes into the Animal Shelter with a smile on her face ready to help out the homeless pets and participate with Special Events on and/or off-site. She assists by

loading equipment, helping customers with adoptions, and much more. She provides excellent customer service and care to our animals and the future pet owners and customers.

She has earned the title of Docent Volunteer because she trains other volunteers when they are new. Ondrea enjoys grooming the dogs. She is a hard worker, she is very dependable, and she provides excellent customer service. Some other duties include working hard at cleaning kennels, socializing our cute and cuddly

puppies, working in our spay and neuter clinic, and helping with any clerical work that needs to be done. She is also creative when making cat beds and cat and dog toys.

One of Ondrea's hobbies is photography.

Since 2010 she has logged in over 233 hours as a volunteer. Her love for animals and people demonstrates her compassion to help us meet our mission.

Thank you Ondrea.

Volunteer January 2011 Birthdays

Yasmin Abdi	1/2	Francisco Enriquez	1/16	Teri Lippert	1/11	Frances Senecal	1/26
Elizabeth Alvarado	1/14	Elysia Faraker	1/15	Wilfred Mallard Jr	1/14	Okema Shyne	1/19
Angie Alvarez	1/4	Janneth Fuerte	1/18	Julie Mattice	1/25	Devon Spruill	1/5
Eumelia (Emy) Anzures	1/28	Dorothy Gambina	1/3	Georgina Moreno	1/17	Eric Stringer	1/21
Mary Betancourt	1/7	Uriel Gonzalez	1/9	Christopher Mozelesti	1/27	Autumn Thompson	1/3
Kristine Caro	1/17	Susan Haislett	1/28	Barbara Novaselec	1/7	Ashley Trousdell	1/16
Amanda Carroll	1/18	Hylie Hall	1/18	Annette Ortiz	1/29	Karolyn Verville	1/11
Elias Ceballos	1/3	Kimberly Hernandez	1/3	Sandra Plascencia	1/31	Kristen Warmoth	1/15
Itzel Contreras	1/4	Vivi Hernandez	1/19	Alicia Ramirez	1/8	Guy Watson	1/15
Debbie Davis	1/10	Kristi Innes	1/2	Stephanie Rubi	1/23		
Danielle DeRosa	1/2	Marjorie Jones	1/1	Joanee Salgado	1/8		
Renata Diab	1/9	Brian Jose	1/10	Dylan Scott	1/14		
Doris Elmo	1/16	Beverly Kikuta	1/3				
		Brenda Lara	1/11				



New Years New treats

Ingredients

- 1 cup rolled oats
- 1/3 cup margarine
- 1 cup boiling water
- 3/4 cup cornmeal
- 2 teaspoons white sugar
- 2 teaspoons beef bouillon granules
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
- 1 egg, beaten
- 3 cups whole wheat flour

Directions

Preheat oven to 325 degrees F (165 degrees C). In a large bowl, combine rolled oats, margarine, and boiling water. Let stand 10 minutes. Grease cookie sheets.

Thoroughly stir in cornmeal, sugar, bouillon, milk, Cheddar cheese, and egg. Mix in flour, 1 cup at a time, until a stiff dough has formed.

Knead dough on a lightly floured surface, mixing in additional flour as necessary until dough is smooth and no longer sticky. Roll or

pat out dough to 1/2" thickness. Cut with cookie cutter (I prefer bone shaped), and place 1 inch apart onto the prepared cookie sheets.

Bake 35 to 45 minutes in the preheated oven, until golden brown. Cool before serving. Store in a loosely covered container.



Bring in the Old

With a new year upon us we try to let go of all the old things that we hold on to in our lives and in our homes so many of us may be doing a little spring cleaning in the winter.

The volunteer department asks that you gather your old towels and blankets for our dogs here at the shelter. Also our animals need socialization, cleaning, care, and a friendly face. I want you all to know that everything you give to the homeless animals comes back to you though out the year.

As a New Years resolution you can make an difference on a homeless animals life by consistently coming in to the shelter and giving your time. The love and care you provide is necessary to keep these animals adoptable.

Thank you for being a part of our volunteer program. We hope that you continue volunteering throughout the year.



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Welcome All Of Our New



Bruce, Alicia

Decker, Laura

Green, Hannah

Hope, Gilbert

Hur, Jung

Ingram, Shelby

Loza, Diana

Moore, Stephanie

Perez, Maria

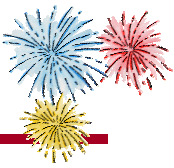
Shephard, August

Tran, Audrey

Troncoso, Jennifer



Barbara Davis,
Dog Trainer and
Docent Volunteer



If you are interested in applying to be a docent and you think you have what it takes please contact the volunteer department for an interview.

Aim for greater heights

Here are a few fun facts

- There are only three animals with blue tongues: the black bear, the Chow Chow dog and the blue-tongued lizard.
- A polecat is not a cat. It is a nocturnal European weasel
- A 1,200-pound horse eats about seven times it's own weight each year.
- Most cats in Halifax (Nova Scotia) have six toes.



Classified Ads

Reminders

January 17 Closed

The Shelter will be closed for Martin Luther King Jr Day

Open Shelter Jobs

* Front Information Desk (up to 6 Volunteers needed 2 per shift)

The hours are Monday to Saturday

10:45am to 1:00pm

12:30pm to 4:00pm

3:30pm to 6:00pm

Job Duties: Adults 18 and over

Directing customers to areas of interest

* Clinic (up to 9 Volunteers needed 3 per shift)

The hours are Monday to Saturday

8:00am to 12:00pm

1:00pm to 4:00pm

3:30pm to 6:00pm

Job Duties: 13 and up only responsible hard working may apply

General Spay and Neuter Clinic Duties

* Reunions(6 Volunteers needed 2 per shift)

The hours are Monday to Saturday

10:45am to 1:00pm

12:30pm to 4:00pm

3:30pm to 6:00pm

Job Duties: Adults 18 and over

Assisting customers to fill out paperwork, searching in kennels for their lost pets, and providing them useful information packet

*Adoption Leads (2 per Kennel POD)

The hours are Monday to Saturday

10:45am to 1:00pm

12:30pm to 4:00pm

3:30pm to 6:00pm

Job Duties: Adults 18 and over

Assisting the public with animal visitation, guiding them to staff, take animal for vet check.

*Video Camera Person (up to 2 Volunteers needed)

The hours are TBD

Job Duties: Adults 18 and over

Helping to video tape training sessions

*Newsletter Editor (up to 2 Volunteers needed)

The hours are TBA

Job Duties: Adults 18 and over

Edit the monthly volunteer newsletter

*New Volunteer Buddies (up to 10 Volunteers needed)

The hours are TBA

Job Duties: Adults 18 and over. Meeting and Greeting new volunteers for their first week of volunteer service

If you are able to fill any of these days or hours please reply to the volunteer office