

To rescue, rehabilitate and re-home needy dogs everywhere.



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Introducing ...

# WAGGIN' TAILS DOG RESCUE!!

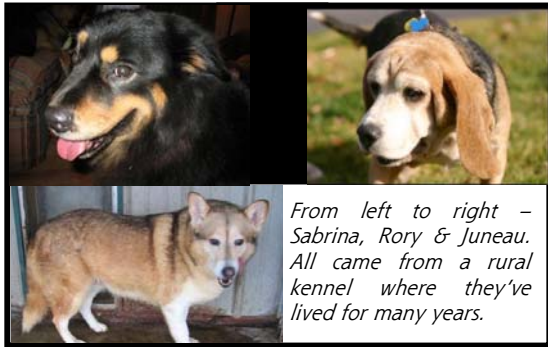
Every day thousands of dogs that have been neglected, tortured, or abandoned are euthanized in Michigan and around the country. While there are many humane societies and animal control facilities whose goal it is to help so many homeless animals, the sad fact is that they cannot save all and must resort to euthanization in order to make more room for the animals that will soon be arriving.

In an effort to prevent such waste, small non-shelter based rescue groups are created every day by private citizens and have emerged to aid the burden placed upon these facilities. Waggin' Tails Dog Rescue is one of these non-shelter based rescue groups.

## Waggin' Tails Dog Rescue Goals

- To rescue, rehabilitate and re-home dogs that have been abused, neglected, tortured, abandoned or are in danger of being euthanized at area kill shelters.
- Educate the public about the importance of pet sterilization through spay/neuter
- Educate the public on how to help put an end to animal cruelty

## HELP US, HELP THEM!!



From left to right - Sabrina, Rory & Juneau. All came from a rural kennel where they've lived for many years.

**DONATIONS!!** While we are not yet a registered 501(c)(3) charity, we still are able to collect donations - they just are not tax deductible until we receive our exempt status from the IRS. Once we do, all donations will be deductible. And even though we are not yet exempt, we will continue to shelter, vet and care for many needy dogs who cannot wait for our "official" status. So please open your heart and pocket book to one of our needy dogs TODAY!



*Tori, a female Golden Retriever/Shepherd mix came to us from a rural kennel where she lived for several years locked in a cage. She is a shy but loving girl looking for her forever home!*

Waggin' Tails was recently established by a handful of experienced and dedicated animal rescue enthusiasts who have worked in the rescue community for many years. We are volunteers who do this activity in our "spare" time and receive no monetary payment for our activities. Instead, our reward is the knowledge that we have saved a life that otherwise might have been lost.

Our goals are simple - save as many abandoned, abused, and neglected dogs possible; provide them environments in which to rehabilitate their souls and find them a home that will love and cherish them for the rest of their lives. In addition, we hope to better educate the public about the importance of spay / neutering of all companion pets and what people can do to help end animal cruelty.

Currently, Waggin' Tails is working on a mission in placing dogs from a rural kennel where they have lived many years in unsatisfactory conditions. Juneau, shown left, lived for many years at this kennel without consistent socialization. Because of this, she is very human shy and will require some time in a foster home before she is ready for re-homing. But we will continue to rehabilitate her and the others until all have found their forever homes!

## WHO WE ARE

*We are lucky to have an incredible and experienced volunteer base!*

Below are some of the great people we already have on board. We hope to soon be expanding our volunteer base. If you are interested in working with a dog rescue group, please consider Waggin' Tails today!

- Sandra Bertovick - Foster/Voicemail/Email
- Sandy Patton - Foster/Voicemail/Email
- Mike Carr - Foster Father
- Cathy Schiller - Treasurer
- Lori Dames - Vice President
- Alison Smith - Secretary
- Denise Elchburg - President
- Lauren Wozniacki - Foster/Training Ast.
- Tammy G. - Foster Mother
- Deven Discher - Foster Mother
- Leza Kessler - Special Asst Secretary
- Carol VanAken - Volunteer
- Jennifer Mitchell - Foster Mother
- John Wilde - Volunteer
- Teresa Oblak - Photographer

***We are a volunteer based organization. We receive NO salaries. All monies donated and/or generated through adoptions are put towards the care of our dogs.***

# THE WAGGIN' TAILS ADOPTION PROCESS

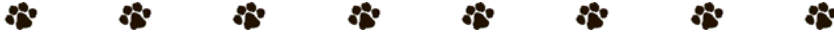


Our adoption process is like many other rescues in operation today. We utilize an application process – having applicants fill out questions in order help us understand their living situations and lifestyle tendencies. Having that type of information helps us ensure the applicant is matched with a dog that will fit into their lives with ease.

Once an applicant has filled out their application and the application has been approved by the foster parent and the Waggin' Tails Board, a home visit is scheduled. This visit is aimed at ensuring that what the applicant has provided on their application, is true. It also helps us see how the family interacts and how other pets in the home live and are treated.

Once it's determined the applicant is a good match for the dog applied for, then the paperwork is signed and the dog goes to it's new home.

While we make every attempt to process an application as quickly as possible, it sometimes may take up to 5 days to complete an adoption – mostly due to our volunteers' work schedules and coordinating with adopters. In certain instances, adoptions are done in 1-2 days. It depends on the situation.



## Adoption Fees – What's Included

Adoption fee for all sterilized dogs is \$175.00.

Adoption fee for puppies (under 6 months) will be \$250.00.

A separate Spay/Neuter Contract will be signed for unsterilized dogs, requiring the adopter to have the dog sterilized by a pre-determined date. \$50 Will be returned to adopter once proof has been provided that sterilization has occurred.

All adoptions include (unless otherwise stated):

- Rabies Vaccines
- DHLPP Vaccine (parvo/distemper)
- Bordetella Vaccine
- Spay/Neuter
- Heartworm Test
- Fecal Test / Worming (if necessary)
- Microchip



## WANTED! FOSTERS & VOLUNTEERS

Compassionate individual(s) to provide warm, safe temporary homes to animals in desperate need are needed! Each day, thousands of dogs are euthanized at area shelters and humane societies. Waggin' Tails Dog Rescue could help so many more if we had people willing to share their heart and home with a needy animal! You will be SAVING A LIFE!!

Waggin' Tails covers all vet expenses and utilizes the internet to place most of it's animals, so your physical location is not important. While many of our current volunteers are located on the west side, we are looking to expand our area to include Macomb County. We have other volunteer positions that involve helping at our area adoption events as well, so if you cannot provide a temporary home to a dog, but would still like to help, call us. Just a few hours a week would help us tremendously! Contact Alison at [tjandalison@gmail.com](mailto:tjandalison@gmail.com) if interested.

## COME SEE US!

Because we have no formal shelter, the only way we have for the public to come meet our dogs in person is by showing at local pet stores and pet related venues.

We are happy to announce that one of these venues will be the Novi Petco, located on Novi Road right across from 12 Oaks Mall. We will show our adoptable dogs there on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month from 12:00 – 3:00.

We are also in the process of establishing other showing locations, so please check our website for updated locations and dates.

## SPAY DAY USA February 27, 2007

Spay/Neuter benefits you, your pet and your community. DO IT FOR LOVE – spay/neuter your pet in celebration of the 13<sup>th</sup> annual SPAY DAY USA on February 27, 2007.

Visit [www.SpayDayUSA.org](http://www.SpayDayUSA.org) or call 1-888-PETS-911 to find the SPAY DAY USA event nearest you!

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AND EVERY DAY  
THE HUMANE SOCIETY  
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## UPCOMING EVENTS



### COSMIC BOWLING

Cost: \$20.00

Saturday, March 3, 2007

Sign In: 8:45 p.m.

Bowling Starts: 9:30 p.m.

Superbowl

Ford Road – Canton, MI



Join us for a night of Cosmic bowling. Entry fee includes 3 games of bowling, shoe rental and pizza. Prizes for highest male & female games + 50/50 raffles. Don't delay, sign up today!! Walk-in's welcome but best to sign up ahead of time. Call today – 248.788.7050! Check out our website for complete details.