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# Lincoln Animal Ambassadors News to You

Break the Link, d/b/a Lincoln Animal Ambassadors  
501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

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### MISSION STATEMENT:

Lincoln Animal Ambassadors promotes enriching our community through progressive thinking, education, awareness and public support. We are committed to improving the lives of animals and alleviating cruelty in Lincoln and the surrounding area.

### NEXT MEETING

SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

6:30 P.M.

St. Paul United Methodist Church  
1144 M Street  
Lincoln, Nebraska

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Melody Kelso, The Pet Connection of Mission, Kansas. Join us to hear how The Pet Connection has worked with the Humane Society of Greater Kansas City to reduce the euthanasia rate at the city shelter.

Parking is available 11th Street under the church between N and M Streets, as well as off-street parking surrounding church.

Please share this information with any friends and/or associates that are interested in reducing the euthanasia rates of animals in Lincoln and the surrounding communities.



### DONATIONS ARE ACCEPTED!

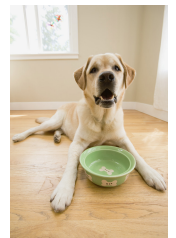
We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Donations can be sent to: P.O. Box 67072, Lincoln, NE 68506.



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 9/5/09 5:30 p.m. Animal Blessing Event  
1st Plymouth Church  
20th & D Streets
- 9/8/09 6:30 p.m. Monthly Meeting  
St. Paul United Methodist Church  
1144 M Street  
Guest Speaker: Melody Kelso, Pet Connection
- 10/8/09 7:00 p.m. Monthly Meeting  
St. Matthew's Episcopal Church  
2325 S. 24th Street  
Guest Speaker: John Beck and his dog Iva

### PET FOOD BANK IS UP AND ACCEPTING REQUESTS AND DONATIONS!



Our Pet Food Bank is designed to provide temporary assistance to those pet owners who are struggling financially.

Our Pet Food Bank application is attached and it is also available from our website home page in PDF format so that it can be printed out.

If you would like to donate pet food to the Pet Food Bank, please contact Mary Douglas at 540-7017 or e-mail us at [info@lincolnanimalambassadors.org](mailto:info@lincolnanimalambassadors.org).



**LOOKING FOR SOME FUNDRAISING IDEAS!** Please contact [info@lincolnanimalambassadors.org](mailto:info@lincolnanimalambassadors.org) if you have an idea or would like to assist in fundraising.

## FIRST ANNUAL WINE AND HOWL EVENT A HOWLING SUCCESS!

A BIG Thank you to all of you who helped at our Wine and Howl event in May. Without our team of volunteers, the event was not possible.

We would particularly like to thank the following donors:

Heidi Slaymaker  
Pat Bennett  
Constance Kingston  
Sharon Kreimer & Dell Darling  
Dr. Virginia Donovan, Southridge Animal Clinic  
Sheila Stratton  
David Scoby  
Laura Tegtmeier  
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The Cat House  
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Doris Shack  
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Jennifer Lorenz  
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Shelly & Eric Escamilla  
John Henry & Co.  
Kaywin Soh & Lisa Welch, Big Dogs-Huge Paws Rescue  
Ashley Johnson Photography  
S & M Creations  
Hair Masters

### VENDORS

Dana Dostal, Uptown Accents  
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Julie Fox-Rauner, Stanley Home Products  
North Country Windows & Doors LLC  
Wendy O'Brien, Jewelry Designer  
David & Sharon Hayes, Great Pyrenees Rescue of Nebraska  
Amy Topping

**AND ORVILLE & DOROTOHY GERTSCH PRIME  
COUNTRY WINERY**, for hosting this event!

## Nebraska Voters for Companion Animals



Nebraska Voters for Companion Animals (NVCA) has accomplished one of the most important tasks and that was to develop the mission statement for the group.

The Nebraska Voters for Companion Animals mission statement is: *To become a unified voice for promoting the humane treatment of companion animals through legislation, education and advocacy.*

NVCA has been meeting monthly. The group is currently working on developing content and design for their website. Talking points for the group have been written and are going through their first round of editing.

One goal of the group was to develop a database to document Nebraska breeder dogs when they arrive at the various rescue groups. The database has been developed with about 100 rescued dogs documented.

For more information on the group, contact Pauline Balta, 402-423-6926, or [pbalta@aol.com](mailto:pbalta@aol.com).

## Trap-Neuter-Return Update

A "feral" cat is defined as an undomesticated, wild cat or a house cat that has strayed and reverted to a wild state. Every community possesses feral cats, which provides vital services to their community by reducing rodent populations.

There are no provisions at the current time, within Lincoln's ordinances, that allows the citizens of Lincoln to Trap-Neuter-Return or provide for the managed care of feral cats. Lincoln Animal Ambassadors has drafted a proposed ordinance titled *Managed Care of Feral Cats*, and are working diligently with other nonprofit agencies, city leaders, and city agency managers for the passage of this ordinance.



## T-SHIRTS FOR SALE!

Price: \$10 to \$12, depending on size. Make checks payable to Lincoln Animal Ambassadors, and sent to P.O. Box 67072, Lincoln, NE 68506.

If you would like a burnt orange t-shirt with the Lincoln Animal Ambassadors logo on front, please fill out the order form below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt size (we will do our best to accommodate your request) \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_



## Pet Food Bank Information

To Donate pet food, please contact us at [info@lincolnanimalambassadors.org](mailto:info@lincolnanimalambassadors.org) or call (402) 540-7017 for pick up of donation. Cash donations are also accepted. You can mail your donation to:

Lincoln Animal Ambassadors  
P.O. Box 67072  
Lincoln, NE 68506

Please make a notation on the memo line "Pet Food Bank".

Requirements to accept pet food from this program:

You must complete the required application. (following this information sheet and agreement).

You must present your drivers license or ID when you are accepting pet food.

Pet food can only be received by an individual one (1) time a month. You may apply for more than one (1) pet at that time, however.

Please bring a picture of you and your pet, if possible, when accepting pet food.

When you accept pet food from this program, you will be asked to sign the following agreement.

### Pet Food Bank Recipient Agreement

I agree to complete the LAA Pet Food Bank application completely and honestly.

I agree that all pet food I receive from the LAA program is for my pets as listed in my application.

I agree that my pets are not used for breeding purposes or illegal acts.

I agree that I will supply my pets with food and fresh water every day.

I agree that if my pets are not spayed or neutered, I will work toward getting them altered as soon as possible.

I agree that if my pets are not current on their vaccinations, I will work toward getting them current as soon as possible.

I agree to attend to my pets' medical needs in a timely manner if they are in need of the same.

I agree, when I am financially able to help, I will donate back to the Lincoln Animal Ambassadors Pet Food Bank so others can benefit from this program.

I agree to tell my friends and neighbors about the Lincoln Animal Ambassadors Pet Food Bank Program so they can assist with donations if they wish to and they can spread the word about this program to others.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_





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## Pet Food Bank Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you employed? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Temporary lay off

If Employed, where: \_\_\_\_\_

What type of pet or pets do you have? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list pet or pets name, breed, weight and age below:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a veterinarian that your pet or pets normally see? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If so, who is your veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your pet or pets spayed or neutered? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Is your pet or pets current on its vaccinations? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Is your pet licensed with Lincoln Animal Control? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

