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KAR Friends ~ September 2016

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Pets of the Month

Dear Reader;

Autumn is almost here and we're beginning to see the differences in light and shadow and color that come with the changing seasons. As we prepare for the cooler weather (just freeze the weeds, please!), this is a good time to think about National Preparedness Month, the perfect time to make a plan for you, your family, and your furry friends. America's [PrepareAthon](#) offers planning guidance for disasters like floods, tornadoes, and winter storms. And these disaster preparedness resources focus on [getting dogs prepared](#) and [caring for animals](#).

KAR is gearing up for a couple of big fall activities, the **Bissell Empty the Shelters Adoption Event** and our **annual Dinner Auction**. Details are provided below and we hope you will join us at one or both. Also this month, we share the heartwarming tales of Polly and Izzy. These rescued pets found love and are living the dream in their new forever homes!

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Dinner Auction 2016

Save The Date





Read [Harley's Story](#)



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Upcoming Events

- **September 24 & 25;** PetSmart
- **October 1, 2, 8, 9, 15 & 16;** PetSmart
- **October 22;** Bissell Pet Adoption Event

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KALAMAZOO ANIMAL RESCUE
Dinner Auction 2016
 Food Fun Drinks and More!!
 Desserts by Apple Knockers
 Silent Auctions
 Professional Entertainment

Please join us Sunday, November 13th
 At the Gull Lake Country Club
 for our annual dinner auction
 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 Dinner and Entertainment begin at 5:00 pm
 Limited seating available!
 Seating by reservation only!
 Tickets are \$40 if reserved
 before November 6th, \$45 if reserved after
For Reservations call: 269-547-7277
 VISA and Mastercard accepted

Kalamazoo Animal Rescue is a federally recognized 501(c)(3) charitable organization. We receive no state or federal funding. We rely solely on the generosity of people like you to give in support of the critical work we do: rescuing abandoned cats and dogs. \$25-\$30 of your ticket cost will be donated to our rescue. If you cannot attend, we hope you'll make a donation to help support our foster animals, but we'd really love to see you at the auction!
www.kalamazooanimalrescue.org

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Our biggest fundraising event of the year is just around the corner! Save the date and join us for a fun-filled evening complete with dinner and entertainment to support our furry friends.

Date: Sunday, November 13th

Time: 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Place: Gull Lake Country Club

Cost: \$40 if tickets are reserved by November 6th. \$45 if reserved after. Visa and MasterCard accepted.

Help: We need items for the auction! If you would like to donate something, please [email Alicia](#).

Donation wish list suggestions:

- Gift cards or certificates to shopping venues, restaurants, spas or salons, sporting goods stores, etc.
- Gift certificates for services that you or your company offers, such as plumbing, electrical or carpentry skills; IT or computer support; house cleaning; lawn and yard care; doggy day care, dog training, pet sitting, veterinary care, etc.
- Gift baskets containing beverage selections, sweet treats, cheeses, gardening supplies, bath salts and soaps, etc.
- A bottle of wine for our "wine grab"
- Tickets to plays, concerts and sporting events
- Donate a weekend or week at your cottage, time share or vacation rental
- Cook a delicious meal or bake something special and deliver it to the lucky bidder
- Handmade items that include afghans, baby/toddler blankets, baby items or clothing
- Christmas decorations, home décor, artwork and collectibles
- Household items such as antiques and small appliances
- Gadgets: iPod, iPad, portable GPS navigator, digital camera, flat screen television, etc.
- Toys for kids: bicycles, wagons, Razors, skateboards, Barbie dolls, etc.
- Recycle un-used merchandise or re-home gifts you received but never used

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- And, any other auction item ideas you may have would be appreciated.

Keep watch for more Dinner Auction 2016 details on the KAR website and in the October issue of KAR Friends!

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Doggie Den

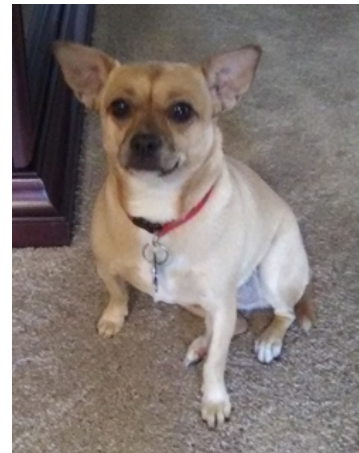
Animal Spotlight ~ Patient Polly



By Kim Bourner

Polly came into the rescue in May of 2015, and it took nearly a year before she was adopted into her forever and loving home.

Polly was healthy, had a beautiful biography on the rescue's website, and was still young. Perhaps the wait in a good foster home was meant to be, because she's thoroughly cared for now in her forever home.



This Chihuahua is living the dream with her mom, Donna.

They go on walks together, play hide-and-seek with her toys (and her mom's slippers), and Polly has her very own bed with her very own blanket. She's very patient, as she prefers to wait for invitations to sit on her mom's lap and cuddle in bed. Polly is a wise lady who knows to stay off of the furniture unless invited, and she gladly wears her seatbelt in the car.

Donna is wise too and provides Polly with obedience training. This will only help to nurture their relationship as they spend years together. Polly will be celebrating her third birthday this month knowing that she has a safe and secure future beside her mom. Check out our other patient foster pets if you would like to help a rescued cat or dog to celebrate their next birthday in the best possible place – your home.

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Cat's Corner

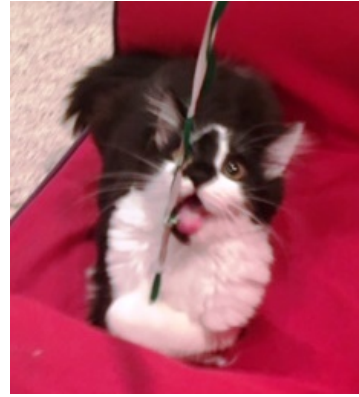
Animal Spotlight ~ Izzy



By Kara Harmsen and Nina Kiser

Sweet little Itty Bitty (now known as Izzy) was found outside Borgess Women's Center in mid-May, when she

was approximately four weeks old. Fortunately, a kind person brought her to Nina at MVPets, who was also a new foster volunteer with KAR. Nina decided this special girl would be her first foster animal. Izzy spent the next few weeks with Nina, being trained by her kitty mentor Venky and learning how to use the litter box, etc. She also enjoyed trips with Nina to the pet store and the grocery store and to play Pokemon Go at Celery Flats.



Because of her visits to the pet store, Izzy had tons of interest by potential adopters and one family in particular decided that she was the perfect cat for them. For the next four weeks Bob and Carol visited her at MVPets for at least an hour per week. Soon, it was time for Izzy to go to her forever home, where she has been purrfectly happy with all of her favorite toys ever since.

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Special Event ~ Save The Date!

Bissell Pet Adoption Event



Please see the KAR website for further details as they become available.

Date: October 22, 2016

Time: TBD

Place: TBD.

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About Us

Kalamazoo Animal Rescue is an all-volunteer, federally recognized 501(c)(3) charitable organization that was founded in 1991 and is funded entirely through donations from the public.

KAR is dedicated to providing refuge to homeless, stray and abandoned cats and dogs in Kalamazoo and the surrounding communities.

Our volunteers give their time and energy to the efforts of rescuing animals and helping them to find permanent, committed and life-long homes.



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