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NEWS AND VIEWS FROM WAYSIDE WAIFS

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*Wayside Waifs  
Through the Decades*

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**CELEBRATING  
80 YEARS**  
*of saving lives!*

# Letter from the President Celebrating 80 Years



Eighty years ago, a concerned citizen named Fenby Webster realized the homeless pets of our community needed an advocate. She became that advocate and Wayside Waifs was born.

Fenby's passion and persistence for helping homeless pets still lives on today through Wayside Waifs' many lifesaving programs – rescues, adoptions, and humane education, just to name a few.

It hasn't always been easy. Over the years there have been ups and downs, with Wayside facing the very real possibility of closing our doors in the mid-90's. Drawing on the same passion and persistence of our founder, a group of community advocates and donors came together to save Wayside. Through strong leadership and donor support, Wayside made it through and is now as strong and stable as ever.

In this historic 80th anniversary year, we will begin working through our new strategic plan, Pawsibilities, that will guide Wayside in helping even more pets and people. Over the 42-month plan, Wayside aims to serve 97,500 shelter pets, community pets, and people. Through 5 strategic pillars of focus, the plan's impact will be felt locally but also nationwide. Pawsibilities calls for continued growth of programs and infrastructure and will only be successful with donor support.

Reflecting on Wayside's past, it's clear that many things have changed throughout the years, while some important things have stayed the same.

There are still homeless pets, and we need more loving adopters. Volunteers are critical to Wayside's operations, and we need more to fill more roles than ever. Donors and their support are crucial to our past, present, and future. We couldn't do Wayside's life-saving work without these individuals – and without you!

Sincerely,

Kathryn Mahoney  
President

*P.S. I hope to see you at this year's Fur Ball Gala on Saturday, May 11. This year's theme is **Bark & Roll!** Visit [FurBallKC.org](http://FurBallKC.org) for more info.*



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#### Mission:

**PREPARING PETS AND PEOPLE FOR THE BOND OF THEIR LIVES.**

*We accomplish our mission by protecting and caring for the animals under our watch; by reaching out to the community for love and support; and by teaching others about the profound joy that pets bring to our lives.*





**Hank**

We have nothing but great things to say about Wayside! Hank is doing great and adjusting well!  
– Tess



**Binx**

She has been doing excellent and is so cuddly and smart. We love her so much already!  
– Brooklyn



**Honey Mustard**

We are loving life with this silly boy. Thank you for finding us a perfect match!  
– Mayumi



**Grace**

She is thriving in her new environment. She is amazing and so loved.  
– Casie



**Finn**

He's the best, even when he makes a mess. It's OK, we still love him, ha!  
– Alison



**Lilly**

She's everything we expected and more. She's a smart girl and so sweet.  
– Ashley



Contact us at 816-761-8151 or visit us at [WaysideWaifs.org](https://www.WaysideWaifs.org) for hours of operation, services, and more.

For information on volunteering, call 816-986-4431.

Wayside Waifs is located at  
3901 Martha Truman Road, Kansas City, Missouri 64137



Socialize with Wayside!



# 1940's



*In 1944 Fenby Webster, with 28 animal lovers, founded Wayside Waifs in South Kansas City.*



*Sewzie, the first Waif to enter our doors, and her adopting family, Mr. and Mrs. Baker.*



*In 1946 Top of The World Pet Cemetery was started on our campus. Today the cemetery has more than 14,000 beloved pets buried there.*



*Wayside established the first Humane Education program for kids in the region. Here a Brownie Troop visited the shelter in the 1940s.*

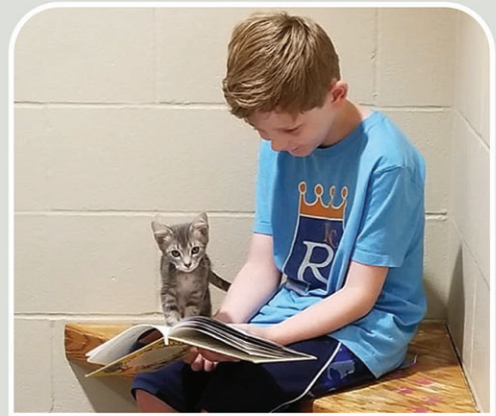


*Our rescue work began when the shelter opened in 1944. In addition to saving strays, rescue efforts included the 1951 Kansas City Flood and the 1957 Ruskin Heights Tornado.*

# 1990's



*In 1999, a new 47,000 square foot facility was built. It provided comprehensive medical and behavior care for all of the homeless animals that came to Wayside.*

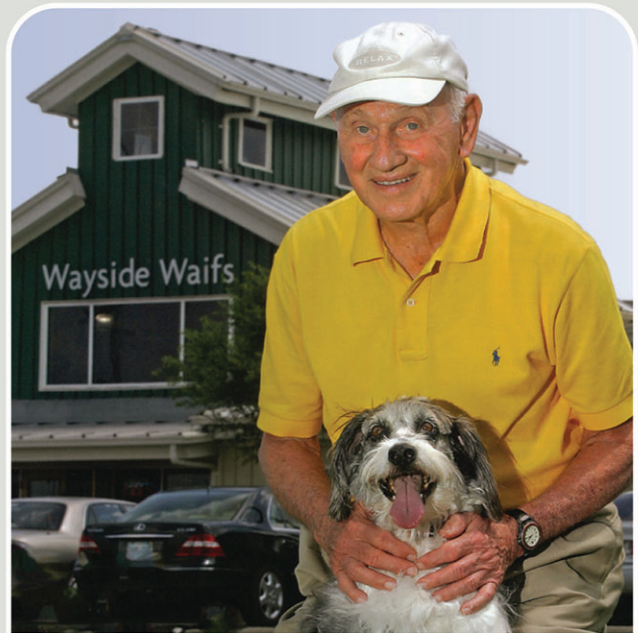


*Humane Education programs experienced significant growth. On campus, more youth began visiting for a variety of educational programs. Locally, our Humane Educators and their Companion Animals visited schools to teach No More Bullying!*

*Wayside's rescue efforts continued when we served as an evacuation center for the KCMO shelter while rising waters threatened to flood their shelter in 1991 and again in 1993.*



*In 1990, the first annual Strutt With Your Mutt was held on The Country Club Plaza. In addition, the Fur Ball Gala, our second signature fundraiser, began in 1998.*



*During construction, Harold and Marilyn Melcher adopted Sophie, affectionately named "the dog who saved the shelter." Sophie inspired donors to support Wayside's future and initiated a new path.*

# 2000's



*The Vet Preceptorship Program began training college veterinary students in shelter medicine, welcoming students from across the country.*



*In 2021, The Canine Behavior Center, the second of its kind in the nation, opened. Built exclusively for shy, fearful, and high-arousal shelter dogs to help meet their individual needs and find loving homes.*



*Wayside formed the area's first Animal Rescue & Response Team and added a 28 foot Rescue Transport Trailer. Today, the Rescue Team rescues animals locally and across the country.*

*Wayside embraced holding adoption events to help the animals find forever homes. We began holding Adopt-A-Thon's, Clear The Shelters, Mega-Match, and even Round The Clock, a 24-hour adoption event!*



*In 2023 community programming expanded to include a larger Pet Food Pantry and free and low-cost vaccine clinics and the spay/neuter event.*

# Wayside's Changemakers *Then and Now*

***Compassionate, dedicated donors have been critical to Wayside's survival. We'd like to introduce you to six special changemakers in our 80-year history.***

**Fenby Webster**, along with 28 animal loving members by her side, founded Wayside in 1944 and set new standards in animal welfare. They saw a need to help homeless pets in south Kansas City and persevered through tough times to stay the course. 80 years later, Wayside is still on the exact same piece of land. Fenby's spirit and passion for saving animals lives on every day. Hundreds of thousands of animals have been saved since Wayside was founded.



**Fenby Webster**

**Harold & Marilyn Melcher** helped the shelter at a pivotal time in Wayside's history, the late 90's. They, along with other influential animal-loving Kansas Citians, raised funds to build a new state-of-the-art facility. They also funded several



**Marilyn & Harold Melcher**

initiatives and programs of Wayside including the Pet Adoptions Center, expanding Humane Education programming, and the annual Fur Ball Gala (Wayside's largest fundraising event). Marilyn and the Melcher family continue Harold's vision by supporting Wayside today.

**Jack Wylie** was a visionary business leader and generous philanthropist – with a special passion for helping homeless pets. In the 1990s Jack and his wife, Glenna, began supporting Wayside and in 2014 Jack made a significant gift to name The Wylie Center after Glenna. Jack did not want his philanthropy to end when he died and instructed his Foundation Trustees to continue supporting his favorite charities. Their ongoing efforts continue his legacy through an annual gift-matching campaign that inspires others donate.



**Jack Wylie**



**Robert & Carole Beeson**

**Robert & Carole Beeson** were long-time supporters of Wayside. In addition, they both deeply valued education. They left a generous legacy gift to help build the Education and Training Center in 2019. This gift allows for a

space children and the public can continue to be educated on proper pet care, pet responsibility, and learn the similarities between pets and people. The space also allows an area for animal welfare groups to collaborate, dog training classes to be taught, and more.

***These six visionary donors have been instrumental in Wayside's journey, but it's you who continues the life-saving mission of Wayside today. Thank YOU for being part of the Wayside story as a donor, adopter, volunteer, and animal advocate. Thank you for being the animals' voice and giving them the second chance they deserve!***



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## Save the Date Saturday, May 11, 2024

Join us for Fur Ball – **Bark & Roll**. The event is Kansas City’s biggest fundraiser for homeless animals. Don’t miss out on one of the most talked about parties of the year! The event takes place at the Overland “Bark” Convention Center on **Saturday, May 11, 2024** at 5:30 pm.

This celebration is one of a kind with attendees dressing to the event theme! Guests will enjoy silent and live auctions, a wonderful dinner, 18 open bars, and more. We’re betting everyone has the time of their lives!

For the first time ever, **Carolyn Long**, KCTV5’s Evening News Anchor, will be joining the festivities as the night’s emcee! Plus, the Nigro Brothers will return to auction off amazing items in the live auction.



Rusty and Martha Smith, Fur Ball Honorary Chairs



To reserve your table for May 11, 2024 at 5:30 pm, contact Paige Cooper, Special Events Manager, at (816) 986-4409 or [pcooper@waysidewaifs.org](mailto:pcooper@waysidewaifs.org).

For more info, visit [FurBallKC.org](http://FurBallKC.org).

## 2023 Furry Facts *What your support did last year*

**27,764**  
pets and people  
served



**11,711**  
youth reached



**3,428**  
spays, neuters, and  
life-saving surgeries



**3,680**  
pets adopted

