

Group helps animals

Christmas came early this year for animals in Thunder Bay.

The Keri Chase Foundation donated \$10,000 — that's ten thousand dollars — to 9 local animal charities on December 16th.

In the foyer of City Hall, representatives of these charities received cheques from our Trustee, Ken Boshcoff and our mascot, Hank, an incredible Great Dane, who himself is a rescued dog.

Our charity raises money to help with animal welfare in Thunder Bay. Since inception in 2002, we have donated almost \$50,000 to animal charities. Our recipients this year are Thunder Bay and District Humane Society, \$3,000; New Hope Dog Rescue, \$2,000; PAWS, \$1,000; Thunder Bay Therapeutic Riding Association, \$1,000; Flights of Fancy, \$1,000; North-

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ern Lights Dog Rescue, \$500; Hoofers Haven \$500; Kilty Kare, \$500; and Local Dog Rescue, \$500.

Monies will be used in their support programs to assist animals and birds. The Keri Chase Foundation, along with these organizations, support a spay and neutering program which will make it more affordable for loving families to have a pet. Our funds are mainly raised through a mailout appeal campaign for donations, our annual Superior Pets Calendar and the sale of merchandise.

The Keri Chase Foundation is a registered Charitable Foundation and was formed on February 21, 2002, in memory of Keri Coleen Chase, who was a true animal lover. Our Thunder Bay Superior Pets Calendar for 2011 is still on sale at various locations around the city and we urge all animal lovers to pick up their copy. We thank everyone for their support of our projects and we wish all our charities and supporters a wonderful Christmas and all the best in 2011. — Submitted by Diane Chase, President, The Keri Chase Foundation.

The Chronicle-Journal welcomes stories from our readers. Tell us about recent gatherings, projects and meetings. Keep stories to 300 words or less and include captions with pictures.



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