



WPeNewsletter October 2012

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Walden's Puddle is a 501c3 non-profit. We receive no State or Federal funding.
We are able to do this important work only because of the generosity of our community of donors.

Thank you for making the following releases and transfers possible:

All Walden's Puddle releases are in loving memory of Dugan Coughlan Davis, may her memory be eternal.

The Davis family has requested donations in her memory be made to Walden's Puddle because of her love for animals.

Releases in September:

American Robin, 8
Broad-winged Hawk, 1
Canada Goose, 1
Cooper's Hawk, 1
Eastern Screech Owl, 1
Great Horned Owl, 1
Hermit Thrush, 1

Hummingbird, 4
Mourning Dove, 6
Northern Cardinal, 1
Northern Mockingbird, 1
Pigeon, 6
Red-bellied Woodpecker, 2
Red-shouldered Hawk, 2
Red-tailed Hawk, 1

Coyote, 3
Eastern Chipmunk, 1
Eastern Cottontail, 5
Red Fox, 4
Virginia Opossum, 15
White-tailed Deer, 9
Eastern Box Turtle, 1

A very successful rehab and release . . .

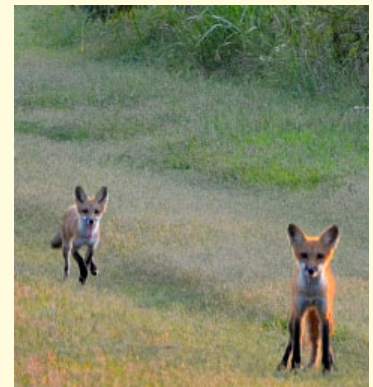
Volunteering at Walden's Puddle is never "as usual". Whether it's holding a hummingbird while the staff wraps an injured wing, or looking into the eyes of a scared animal knowing that you can make a difference in its life, every day holds a special moment that touches your heart.

Such was the case recently when I was asked to release two fox at a specified location. These two fox had arrived at Walden's Puddle as pups, and were now ready to rejoin the environment they were born into. I opened the crate door and one of the fox took off so quickly I lost sight of him within seconds. The second one took a few steps, looked back at me, then slowly jogged along the same path as the other, disappearing around the bend. I smiled, wished them well, and got back in the car. Another Walden's Puddle success story I told myself.

I was looking down at some papers before I left, and as I looked up, I was surprised to see both fox had returned and stopped right in front of me. I got out of the car, and there, the three of us stood for a few minutes. Looking at their expressive eyes, it was as if they had returned to say thank you. I know most people will laugh at this perception, but how do you put into words the wordlessness of a moment? They took one more look, turned, and together jogged back down the path, never looking back.

Different people receive different rewards from working and volunteering at Walden's Puddle. For me, the rewards are those moments where the gulf between all living things are bridged by compassionate hearts and healing hands.

-Joyce Peck



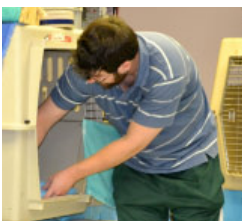
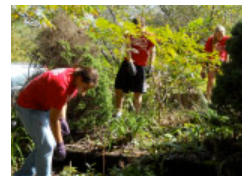
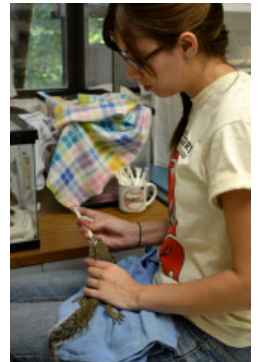
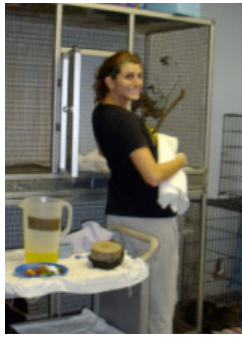
Volunteers make Walden's Puddle's world go around. . .

Question: What Is a Niche? **Answer:** The term niche is used to describe the role an organism or population plays within its community or ecosystem.

We have a niche for you in Walden's Puddle's Volunteer Community.
Fall, winter, and early spring are the ideal times to get started.

Special events Community outreach Education Hands-on animal care Grant writing Food preparation Housekeeping
Fund raising Facilities maintenance Groundskeeping Animal Transport Donation Pick-up Data entry Front desk
Construction Equipment repair and more. . . .

<http://waldenspuddle.org/volunteer.html>



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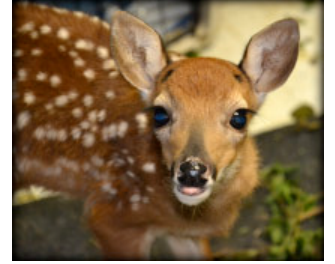
Walden's Puddle is the only professionally staffed wildlife rehabilitation and education center in middle Tennessee.



Baby Season 2012 is far from over.

We still need many volunteers to help with daily feeding and cleaning.

We will also need large amounts of browse throughout October. Think of us when you weed your gardens and woods of honeysuckle, grapevine, and Virginia creeper.

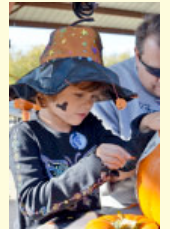


Upcoming Events. . . .

Join Walden's Puddle Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center for our annual Owl-o-ween celebration!

Saturday, October 6, 2012, 5:00 pm

Festivities to be held at:
Nashville Yogi Bear's Jellystone Park
2572 Music Valley Dr., Nashville, TN 37214
615-889-4225

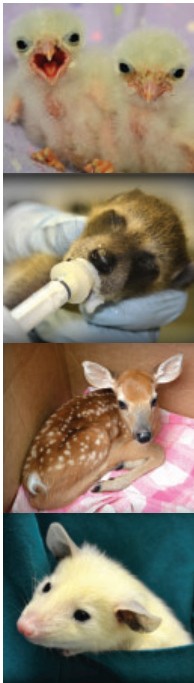


The fun kicks off at 5pm with an educational program featuring Walden's Puddle's resident educational owls Carson, Demetri and Sowa. Stick around for trick-or-treating, a costume contest, hay rides and family fun!

\$5 donation at the gate with 100% of proceeds going to Walden's Puddle, a 501c3 non-profit organization.

FALL CALL OF THE WILD FUNDRAISER

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 7:00 PM



Please Join Us

Walden's Puddle Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center's
FALL CALL OF THE WILD FUNDRAISER

Benefitting 2500 injured and orphaned animals annually.

ON
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25TH
7:00 PM

AT THE WORLD FAMOUS
SOUND KITCHEN Recording Studio
(112 Seaboard Lane, Franklin, TN 37067)

BONUS - Special Premiere Viewing of the DVD:
Giving Wildlife a Second Chance, You Can Feel Good About It!

\$45 individual (Advance reservations only)
\$80 for couples
\$75 at the door for this elegant event!

To make reservations by credit card,
please call Lane Brody at 615-714-4002.

To pay by check, mail to:
Walden's Puddle, P.O. Box 644 Joelton, TN 37080.
You will receive confirmation so please include your phone number, e-mail and address.
Please make your reservation today. Seating is limited.

Food provided by Bound'ry, Drinks, Silent Auction, and Special guests including our Animal Ambassadors!

Attire: dressy casual/business casual
-DVD IN MEMORY OF DUGAN C. DAVIS-

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The "Donor Appreciation/Fall Call of the Wild" event is being given **AT NO EXPENSE TO WALDEN'S PUDDLE**, thanks to the generosity of our wonderful sponsors:

- ARISTO MEDIA GROUP
- ASR RESCUE ROOTER
- ART PANCAKE'S RENT-ALL
- BAIRD
- BOUND'RY
- BUFORD LEWIS
- COLORSTREAM DIGITAL
- COSTCO
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- LANE BRODY ENTERPRISES
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- SOUTHERN POST INC
- THE WILD COW
- TRI STAR PEST AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT
- TWO MEN AND A TRUCK
- UPTOWN SMOKE SHOP
- YOGI BEAR JELLYSTONE CAMPGROUND

Please share this invitation with your family, friends, and co-workers

<http://waldenspuddle.org/FallCallFlyer.pdf>

"Many hands make light work." old proverb

A small army of humans use their talents, skills, experiences, and imaginations to insure that the injured and orphaned wildlife that come to Walden's Puddle receive the care they need to return to their rightful place in the world.

We, the staff, volunteers, and board members, wish to offer special thanks to the many donors and supporters who make our work possible and a little easier.

Grants Pending:

- Maddox Foundation
- Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee

We also acknowledge the following for their nearly daily contribution of services and supplies:

- Airport Animal Clinic
- Volunteer Veterinary Hospital
- Veterinary Ophthalmology Services
- Inglewood Kroger
- Green Hills Whole Foods
- Faithful Friends
- Centerplate @ LP Field
- Nashville Humane Association
- Harris Demolition
- J & E Automotive

Walden's Puddle is pleased to announce another great partnership with Keith and Tammy Carter.

Keith is a local musician and artist who designs clever artwork that signifies a play on words or "wordisms". His card sets are quickly becoming popular as parlor games. You can see his work here: <http://www.playonwordswebsight.com>.

Keith and Tammy have made Walden's Puddle their Charity of the Month where a portion of proceeds will go to Walden's Puddle. Keith and Tammy will also be at the Fall Call of the Wild Event! We are very excited for this opportunity and the many years of working together with Keith and Tammy as stewards for Mother Earth!

-Brian Hock

On **Saturday, September 22nd The Wild Cow Vegetarian Restaurant**

<http://www.thewildcow.com/twc/>

donated 10% of its total sales from that day to Walden's Puddle

Many thanks to John and Melanie Cochran

Do you believe in Walden's Puddle's mission?

Would you like to be a very important part of its success?

*We are looking for a volunteer **Events/Fundraiser Coordinator** that can help Walden's Puddle grow to its fullest potential. If you are interested in exploring the details of this in-kind position, please contact [Lane Brody](mailto:lane@lanebrody.com) <lane@lanebrody.com>*

We look forward to hearing from you!



You can now purchase Walden's Puddle merchandise online! Introducing 2 new online shopping affiliates.

The Walden's Puddle line on <http://www.artsnow.com/WaldensPuddle> features apparel, gifts, home decor, and other items with the Walden's Puddle logo, motto, and critters. Show your support for our organization by purchasing a logo tee or tote and flaunting it around town; build your own charm watch with our logo on the face and a different animal on each link. A percentage of your sale will be paid to Walden's Puddle. Our line features several sections including multi-animal graphics, species specific items, and our Wildlife Ambassadors. Each section is currently under construction, but many items are available for purchase immediately! Check back often for new designs!

We have also joined the Affiliate Program on CafePress.com Through this program we are able to offer our own items and graphics, and also collect commission on ANY item sold through our links. We currently have links on the Walden's Puddle Facebook Page. At this time there is no Walden's Puddle line, although we still profit from your purchases!

Links to these, and other online shopping networks that benefit Walden's Puddle, can be found in the 'shop' section of our website, www.WaldensPuddle.org. You can find great gifts and gear while supporting your local wildlife! Watch our Facebook Page for featured items and new links! Share links with friends to give everyone the opportunity to contribute to Walden's Puddle.

-Tiffany Woody

Philanthropy in Franklin (432 Main Street, Franklin) is selling these t-shirts for \$27. 100% of the sale will go to Walden's Puddle. They can also be purchased online: <http://www.philanthropyfashion.com/shop/love-bunny-wearable-compassion-t-shirt/>



Wish List

Our Wish List is available on our website at <http://waldenspuddle.org/wishlist.html> Check back frequently as our needs change with the seasons.

Washers and Dryers

Our laundry room only has space for 2 washers and 2 dryers. However, our machines run 12 hours a day every day of the year so we wear them out very quickly. We need to keep good machines on standby that can be hauled in on a moment's notice - new or used as long as they work!

Special request

We are in serious need of a **Commercial Copy Machine** - good quality, color, able to print/copy large quantities, and uses low cost ink replacement/toner.

With the economy as it is we have an urgent need for funds.

Please consider us as you plan for your Holiday giving and keep us in your prayers.



Thank you,

The Board and Executive Committee of Walden's Puddle

Please remember to use the following when shopping online:

Goodshop <http://www.goodsearch.com/goodshop.aspx>

I Give <http://www.igive.com/>

Sharing Spree <http://www.sharingspree.com/deals/nashville>

Artful Vision <https://www.artfulvision.com/>

Gift Corner... **Looking for a unique gift?**

Check out what Walden's Puddle has to offer.



T-shirts, tote bags, cookies, and more. . . . available in the WP lobby and at special events.

We want to be in partnership with you, as Your Choice for your charitable giving!

Please feel free to contact our CEO Lane Brody at 615-714-4002 or Lane@lanebrody.com if you are interested in talking over the possibility of how to make "The Puddle" your charity for a special day, week, month or year when you plan for your company's charitable giving.

Please visit our profile on www.givingmatters.com or our website at www.waldenspuddle.org

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