



WHAT'S INSIDE:



In this issue read Lola's amazing story



Help Us Save More Lives!!!

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Meet Our Rescues

When they needed a hero the most P.A.W.S. was there for them.



Read all about Lola, Olaf, Cosmo & Sparkles in this issue



SAVE THE DATE!

Covid19 has all of us making all type of changes and we are are hoping this year we can have our event. Please save the date of P.A.W.S. Annual Wine Tasting and Silent Auction.

P.A.W.S. 18TH Annual Wine Tasting, Beer Tasting & Silent Auction will be on Sept.3rd. We are currently in the process of making plans for this big event. It is the largest fundraiser of the year for P.A.W.S. and we are hoping by September we will all be able to breathe a little easier and enjoy a fun night out with friends and raise some money for the animals. Let's all cross our paws that we can still have the event in September. P.A.W.S is currently collecting auction items & gift certificates ,so please reach out to our Director, Beth Cline-Stroud, or one of our Board Members if you have something you wish to donate or call 828-736-0579. Tickets will be on sale online and at P.A.W.S. Thrift Store by the end of April We do hope everyone will still come out and join us for this fun filled night of live music, great food, great wine & beer selections and awesome items to bid on.

COSMO



Meet Cosmo

When we first met, this boy was in desperate need of medical attention. Cosmo had been struck by a car and was in severe pain. We immediately rushed him to the emergency animal hospital, we were told that he had several breaks and abrasions. On Cosmo's left side, he had a coxofemoral luxation/femoral head fracture, ilial body/pelvic floor fracture. Cosmo would require FHO surgery and would require a long rehabilitation period to walk again. FHO explained- femoral head ostectomy is a surgical operation to remove the head and neck from the femur. It is performed to alleviate pain and is a salvage procedure reserved for conditions where pain can not be alleviated in any other way. It is common in veterinary surgery, but it is a costly surgery. This surgery was the only option for Cosmo, and we had to make sure he got the surgery he needed to alleviate the excruciating pain he was suffering and to assure he had a good quality of life after this horrific accident.

Without our wonderful donors and fosters, P.A.W.S. could not have saved Cosmo. His surgery alone was over \$3,000 and he was going to need to rest and have physical therapy for 6 to 8 weeks after the surgery. Cosmo came through the surgery like a champ, and we are so grateful to his foster family who took him into their home after his surgery and made sure he followed all of the doctor's orders. We have all been inspired by Cosmo and his will to live. He went from a skinny, emaciated dog with horrific injuries, found in a ditch on the side of the road, to a happy, thriving boxer who loves and greets everyone he meets. He never meets a stranger and thinks everyone needs to stop and say hi to him. I can not say enough great things about his special angel on earth, Julie Osbourne, and other donors and fosters who helped change his life for the better. Continued on next page.

P.A.W.S .has helped thousands of animals throughout the years, and when we come across dogs or cats like Cosmo, we have to help them, no matter the cost. We can't do this life-saving work without the funds to do so.

We are forever grateful to all that contribute to P.A.W.S. We need you now more than ever. Cosmo received the absolute best care and love from his foster parents, Butch & Bridgett, and we can never thank them enough for the care and hard work to get him better. When someone fosters for P.A.W.S., they always have the option of adopting the animal that has shared their home. We know that a special bond between the animal and foster home is made, and we keep them together if they so desire. We gave that option from the beginning to Cosmos fosters but also worked behind the scenes to ensure that he went into a loving home instead of the shelter when he was through with his physical therapy. He wouldn't adjust well going from a loving home and then into a shelter environment. The fosters love him, and though it brought many tears, they decided that it was in Cosmo's best interest if he could go into a home where he had other dogs to play with as he loves the company of other dogs. When Cosmo was ready to leave his foster home, we already had his new adopted momma picked out and waiting on him.

Cosmo is one loved boy. In many ways, we feel like Cosmo has more than one doggy momma looking after him Beth, our Director, where he spent his first nine days after surgery; Bridgett, his foster mom, that gave him so much love and such outstanding care while he healed from surgery and now his new forever mom. Cosmo is now living his best life.



Cosmo pictured with his amazing foster parents Bridgett and Butch



Meet LOLA

LOLA



Sweet Little Lola came into our shelter very emaciated, severely dehydrated, and sick. Try as we may, we could not get her to eat anything. Each one of our staff tried their hand at feeding her. For a dog starved nearly to death, she was not interested in eating anything. We soon realized that there was more with sweet Lola than just the typical stray intake issues of pesky parasites, dehydration, and malnutrition. We rushed Lola to the vet, and they were confident she had a blockage. After many tests and several X-rays, it was determined that she did not have a blockage. Lola had to be taken to two different vets over the weekend and stayed with our Director throughout the weekend so she could be given subQ fluids. On Monday, Beth took her to see Dr. Robbie at Cherokee Animal Care Clinic; still, with no diagnosis of what was ailing her, Dr. Robbie started her on medication that she hoped would improve her condition. She also started her on an appetite enhancer.

She was given subQ fluids that Beth later nicknamed zoom zoom juice because it gave Lola a burst of energy that had Lola running around all over. Beth had to continue these sub Q's and also had to go back the next day for more meds given intravenously by the vet. Lola began to eat everything she could get her little paws on. She would even steal food off the counter, etc. She was finally feeling well enough to eat. Every day Lola got stronger and stronger and whatever was ailing her stomach was definitely in the past. We suspect that Lola ate something out on her own that created bacteria, and we are thankful that Little Lola is now a very happy and healthy dog.

Lola is not living her best life with her new adopted family.



Lola headed to vet to find out why she is so sick



Lola 3 days later, on the mend



In Honor of.....

In Memory of.....

An honor or memorial gift to PAWS is a personal remembrance that honors the life of a relative, friend or pet. A memorial gift is one with special meaning - a lasting tribute that helps homeless animals in our community.

In Honor Of Bach & Reese Gifted By Gregory & Nancy Schaffer

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In Memory Of Patches the Clampitts Ace Hardware cat - Gifted By Max E & Lavelle Clampitt

In Memory Of Punky beloved dog of Fran Namotka Gifted by Clark & Becky Lipkin

In Memory of Beau, beloved dog of Julie Simoni Gifted By Beth Cline-Stroud & P.A.W.S

In Memory of Punkin beloved cat of Monica Brown Gifted by Beth Cline Stroud

In Memory of Bryson Gifted by Beth Cline Stroud



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Lite A Lite In Honor of Mischief beloved kitty of Ty & Bonnie Ragland Gifted By:Tyrus and Bonnie Ragland

Lite A Lite-In Memory of Willy O'Connor Gifted By: Diane Geddings

Lite A Lite In Memory of Nikki, Buggy, Yonah, Sophie, Hemi, Max, Kodi, & Jax Gifted By Beth

Supplies that P.A.W.S. Animal Shelter is ALWAYS IN NEED OF:

Purina Dog Chow, Purina Cat Chow, Purina Kitten Chow, Purina Puppy Chow, Paper Towels, Pupperoni, Canned Wet Cat Food, Canned wet Dog Food, Clorox, Laundry Detergent, Dish Washing Detergent, Toilet Paper, Milk Bones (non-flavored) Med & Large size, Cat Treats, Trash bags, Clorox wipes





LITE-A-LITE

In honor/memory of: _____

Donor's Name: _____

Address: _____

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Amount: \$ _____ (any amount is appreciated)

Your pet's honor/memory will be represented at PAWS Thrift Store when our lights are lit for the holiday season. Names will also be added to the PAWS spring newsletter.

Send your tax deductible contribution to PAWS Animal Shelter, PO BOX 1814, Bryson City, NC 28713. Thank you for your support!

With your donations, support and help we get to show these animals a better life, find them forever homes, and know that they will be living their best life. Thank you for helping us fulfill their dreams of a better life.

THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS!!!!

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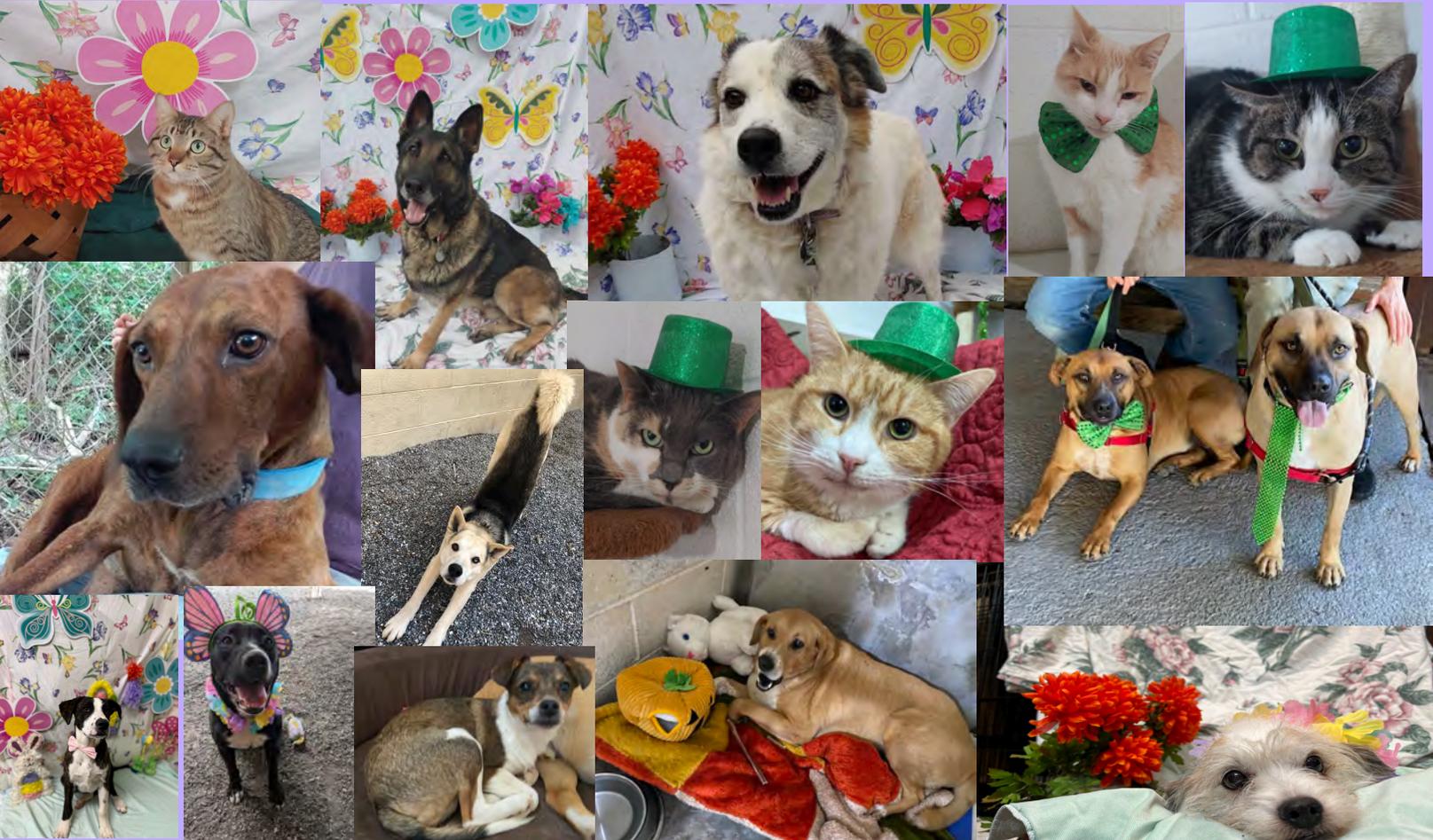


A big shout out of thanks to our young volunteers, Sienna and Mya who work tirelessly on folding, stuffing, and tabbing our newsletters.



AVAILABLE PAWS ANIMALS

Here are some of the beautiful faces you will find at P.A.W.S. Animal Shelter. Come find your fur-ever friend today!



HELP PAWS HELP THEM

Yes, I want to help P.A.W.S. help them! I would like to:

- Be a volunteer
- Make a \$_____ donation for shelter supplies
- Sponsor a dog or cat with medical expenses
- Pledge \$_____ a month to help all PAWS animals
- I would like to talk with someone about other ways to give (estate planning, vehicles, land, etc)

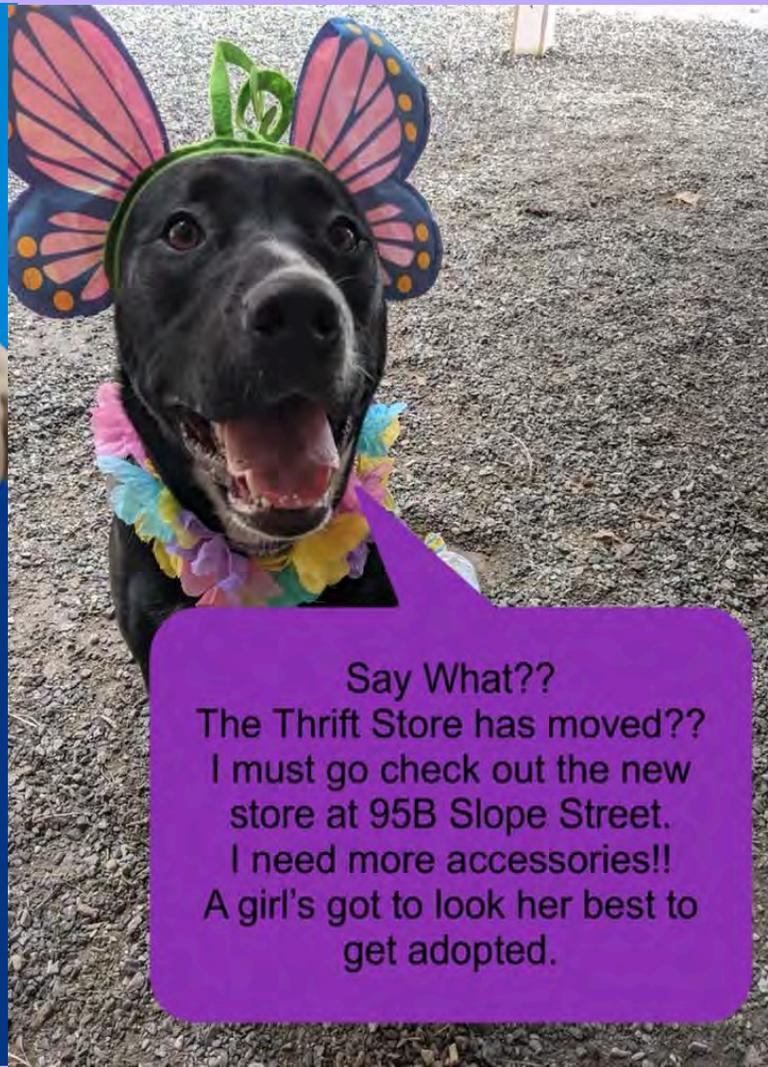


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Say What??
The Thrift Store has moved??
I must go check out the new store at 95B Slope Street.
I need more accessories!!
A girl's got to look her best to get adopted.

GRAND OPENING FRIDAY MARCH 18TH. FIRST 25 CUSTOMERS GET A FREE GIFT!!!

P.A.W.S. THRIFT STORE HAS MOVED!!

Come see us at our new and improved location.

Don't worry, we didn't move far, just right up the street.

P.A.W.S. TO SHOP IS NOW LOCATED AT 95 SLOPE STREET, SUITE B BRYSON CITY
We are right beside Napa Auto Parts

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pawsbrysoncity.org

EXTRA EXTRA!!!! READ ALL ABOUT IT!!!

PAWS IS CREATING A 2023 CALENDAR!!!! THAT'S RIGHT, IN 2023 YOU WILL BE ABLE TO LOOK AT ADORABLE PAWS CATS AND DOGS EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR.

BUT IT GETS BETTER!!! Your animal, child, or whatever you desire can be featured in our calendar.

We are selling date blocks at \$25 each. You can have a picture or message of your choosing on selected days of the year. You choose the date, but hurry and reserve your dates because dates are first come first reserved. You can also buy empty blocks that are available at the end of each month.

Also if you are a business and would like to advertise in our calendar please call 828-736-0579 and speak to Beth about how to make that happen.

Many are reserving special dates like adoption day, Birthday, etc. so get your special date in ASAP. Buy as many blocks as your heart desires!!

This is going to be so much fun!!! Reserve your spot today!!

Yes, I want to buy a calendar block at \$25 each

_____ Please reserve me Date _____

_____ I have enclosed \$25 per block

_____ I have enclosed the picture to use

_____ I am also enclosing more information or instructions



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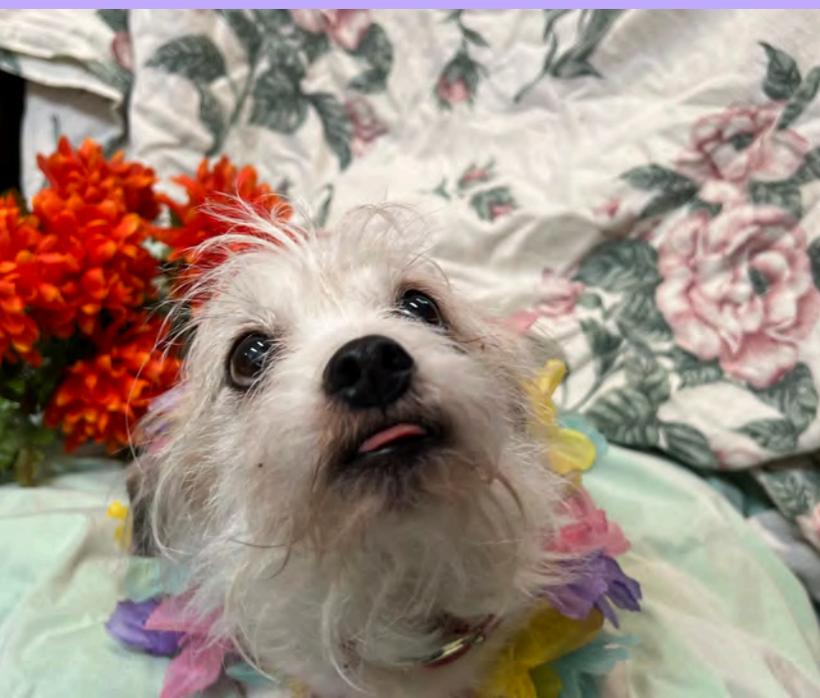
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SPARKLES



After a stormy night, this shivering and frightened senior dog sought shelter on a couples porch. The dogs inside the house were not welcoming to this new dog that had come to their porch to shelter herself from the storm. The couple searched out for her owner, and when no one came forward, they called P.A.W.S. When we got this scared, sweet girl to our shelter, she immediately warmed up to our staff. She knew we would help her feel safe and loved and get her healthy. She had some abrasions, was anemic from flea infestation, and needed some good nutritional meals, veterinarian care, and some much-needed TLC, which we specialize in with our compassionate care. Soon Sparkles was feeling happy, safe and own her way to a healthy life. She likes to hang out in the office with the staff and our shelter office kitty, Baby Cakes. Sparkles loves to spend her time cuddling up next to you, in your lap, or playing with toys.



Meet OLAF

He was given the name Olaf because he was brought in on the last snowy day in March.

Olaf was found dodging cars on the highway and brought into PAWS.

We soon discovered that Olaf was not only homeless but also Heartworm Positive.

Olaf will undergo treatment, and while heartworm disease is expensive to treat, we believe that all dogs deserve the chance at a better life. We know that Olaf deserves to live a happy and healthy life, and with your help and support, he will. If not treated, Heartworm disease can be fatal.

Once heartworm disease is treated, Olaf can go on to lead a perfectly healthy life.

Olaf loves everyone and knows several commands, and is so intelligent.

In order for Olaf and others to receive the medical treatments that they need, it is vital that we receive funds to help pay the vet bills.

Want you help us help Olaf today?



Olaf is a young shepherd -husky that loves to play with his toys as well as go for walks. Olaf is very vocal and will sing and talk to you. He loves to play and bounce around and loves to bury his treats too. He does know a few tricks, including paw and sit, and is so intelligent. How could anyone deny helping a dog that is so full of zest from living a full and healthy life?



Last year we thought 2021 was one of the most challenging years for P.A.W.S., but 2022 is not shaping up to be a great year financially. So many animals need our help, so many with life-threatening illnesses or injuries. We don't have the funds to treat all the animals that need our help, yet we do; we do not turn those in need of medical attention away. Although we do not know how to afford the surgeries, medical attention, etc., that all these animals need, we don't turn them away; we hope we never have to. Things are tight at the shelter right now, and we hope we can always continue to say that we took them in and got them the medical treatments & help they needed. With your help, we can.

None of the animals you see throughout this newsletter could have been helped without our amazing and generous donors. YOU are why we could help the animals you see on these pages, these and so many others just like them. We can't do this work without your financial help and support. I am asking you Today to PLEASE donate so we can continue to help the animals in need. I'm begging you to give a little more in order for us to SAVE them. We need YOU more than ever. The animals are counting on you!!!! Please help us help them.

Below I am posting pictures of some of the wonderful animals that have come into our shelter with serious illnesses or injuries that your financial donations have saved. We will never be able to express our gratitude enough for your making it possible for us to save them. Want you help us Today to save the ones coming in after these that will also need the medical attention that others were able to receive. So many need our help and so few funds to do it with. We are begging you Today to help us continue this life-saving work. We can not do it without YOU!!! Donate Today and save the life of tomorrow.





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