

PAWS ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY INC.



PO Box 94
Fort Kent Mills, ME 04744



Mission

PAWS is dedicated toward spaying and neutering stray cats and dogs, as well as educating pet owners to spay and neuter their pets. A long term goal is to cut down on overpopulation so that more pets can enjoy forever homes and humane care.

Message from Jean Cobb, Treasurer

Hi, This past year has been challenging due to the loss of some PAWS volunteers, making it more difficult rescue and care for our stray feline population. In spite of that, we have preserved and helped many cats and dogs. Tallying up the numbers featured below, you can see just how much a few dedicated people can do in the short space of one year. It is truly rewarding to know that so many cats are in good homes and were spayed, neutered and given good medical care through PAWS. In addition, we have helped many pet owners get help to spay and neuter their cats and dogs giving both pets and owners a better quality of life. We should be very proud of our hard work and pat all PAW's volunteers on the back.



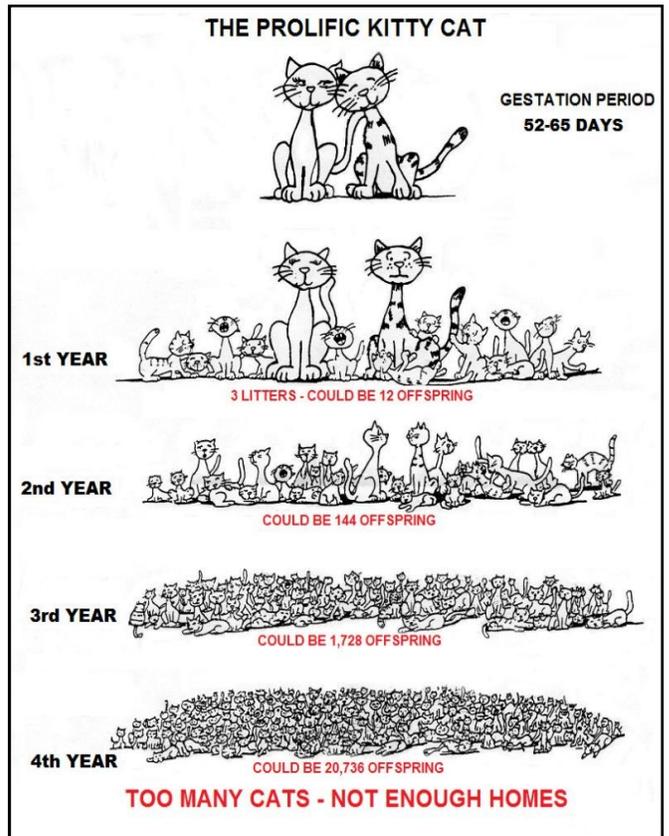
Jean Cobb



With your help, in the last year, PAWS has:

- Spayed/neutered: 78 cats/3 dogs
- Adopted out: 51 cats/1 dog
- Fostered: 12 cats
- Released 2 spay/neutered cats
- Medical assistance for 23 cats
- Euthanized 2 non-PAWS strays
- Currently 7 cats are at the holding facility waiting for adoption.
- ~PAWS also feeds outside stray cats, donates food to low-income owners, advertises owned cats needing adoption, lends out traps & kennels, advises qualifying owners about the Maine Help Fix Me program, networks with other shelters, offers vouchers toward pending spay/neuters, raises funds and promotes adoption fairs.

“People who give away kittens without spay/neuter follow-up are compromising the welfare of other cats who need good homes. In words, if kittens are given away without proper follow-up, they will produce multiple litters. One pair of breeding cats can produce 3 or 4 litters a year.”



**A Huge Recognition and Thanks to All the
Valuable Volunteers at the PAWS Holding Facility
in Fort Kent, Maine
PAWS Animal Welfare Society, Inc.
couldn't survive without YOU...**

"Social science studies clearly show that people are happiest when they feel embedded in something larger than themselves and they are needed."

Debbie McClain: Facility Manager,
Anthony Thibeault
Connie Michaud
Roy Hafford
Matt Stubbs, Foster Parent
Madeline Morneault
Tegan House
Jessica Riley
Carissa Dumond
Dustin Nadeau
Jeanne Nadeau
Stephany Zarins
Kelsey Dubois
Kayla Hansen
Mikayla Beaulieu
Amber Gabriel
Macie Gallagher
Michelle Tremblay, Nova Scotia

*Best Wishes to All and a
Purr-fect New Year for 2012...*

~Come Join PAWS ~
Become a Volunteer...
Call @ 834-2406

"PAWS Animal Welfare Society Inc. is deeply grateful to people who volunteer to work at the holding facility, help fundraise, and help educate our public about the care of domestic pets. (see thank you ad)"

HELP FIX ME !!!

If you cannot afford to fix your cat or dog, call the
HELP FIX ME hotline at:
1-800-367-1317

You may be eligible for the Maine state low-cost spay/neuter program. When you call you must leave a message and your call will be returned in two to three business days. If you have difficulty or cannot get funding, contact us for help.

HAVE A PURR-FECT DAY!

DONATIONS WELCOMED!

Each year PAWS spends approximately \$15,000 to maintain its current service. Through fundraising and donations, we are able to continue helping cats, dogs and pet owners. Please help us out by using the following coupon or donating through PayPal on our website: <http://www.ourvalleypaws.org>. Your donation is tax deductible. Make check out to PAWS Animal Welfare Society Inc. and mail to PAWS Animal Welfare Society Inc., PO Box 94, Fort Kent Mills, ME 04744

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

DONATION AMOUNT: _____

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

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Message from the President, Priscilla Daigle



Hello Everybody, Thank you for taking the time to read through this newsletter. As we are watching costs, we are trying to give the reader an overview of what PAWS is about on three pages. I do want to give some attention to our long term goals as they are vital to us. We need to expand our volunteer base to be able to better succeed at our mission statement. We also need to expand our facility by raising funds to purchase a larger building and/or viable property. We need more volunteers interested in offering education seminars to the local schools, fostering pets until they can be adopted out, writing articles for publication and writing grants. We need volunteer help! It is a very rewarding experience to help rescue helpless animals and find them a forever home.

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