

We have seen a steady incline of injured and or sick animals come through our gates. It seems as if we can't keep up with the amount of animals that are severely malnourished or hurt.

We have spent over \$30,000 in vet bills this year that come from animal abuse or neglect. That amount is way to high and is increasing at an alarming rate.

Animals sick or hurt by the hands of a human, we might not be able to do anything about their past but we are making sure that they never suffer again.

We know great humans (YOU) and that is what keeps us doing this job day in and day out.

With your donations, support and help we get to show these animals a much better life, they get to live their best life. Please help us ensure that these animals get to live their best life by donating today.

Your donations and support will help us to continue our life saving mission & help keep our shelter doors open. It will allow us to continue to give each and every animal the compassionate care they so truly deserve. Because of you we can continue our life saving work. We need your support more than ever, our shelter depends on it, these animals depend on it. Please donate today to save the animals of today and tomorrow.





Read about these beautiful animals and their siblings in this issue.

CRUELTY & ABANDONMENT SURVIVORS



# AVAILABLE PAWS ANIMALS

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



# **HELP PAWS SAVE THEM**

Yes, I want to help PAWS save them! I would like to:

Be a volunteer

\_\_\_\_\_ Make a \$ \_\_\_\_\_ donation

- \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor a dog or cat with medical expenses
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ a month to help all PAWS animals



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Name

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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## Gifts Made In Memory/Or In Honor 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 memory of Jay McDonald** AUGUST 21, 1943 – JUNE 5, 2019 Gifted by all of us at P.A.W.S.

Jay was a friend to all that met him. He was a seasonal resident of Swain County. He was definitely someone that our dogs looked forward to seeing. They always knew when they heard Jays voice or seen his smiling face that they would be going for a wonderful walk that day.

We will forever miss this sweet, funny and generous soul.



In memory of Deoji Sweet and beautiful Deoji beloved by his wonderful people Raquel & Jack Moore Gifted by PAWS & Beth Stroud



PAWS had to say goodbye to our sweet office kitty, Buddy on July 20th 2019.

Buddy came to PAWS in Jan 2012. Buddy had been declawed which I am sure explains why he had a tendency to bite people without any type of warning. This is the reason that Buddy kitty could not be adopted out which suited him just fine because he loved being the office kitty and telling us all what to do.

Buddy loved the outdoors,knocking things off of our desk, loved hiding in his secret places to freak out new staff members who

had not learned all his secret hideaways. When Buddy got sick we got him the very best veterinarian treatment available and he went home with our Executive Director so he could have 24 hour supervision. He enjoyed sitting on her deck, cuddled up in her arms while watching butterflies in the nearby butterfly bush. He passed away peacefully in her arms watching the butterflies

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#### In memory of Mollie

Beloved by Tommy & Myra Lambert. Gifted by PAWS and many friends and family.







Duncan 2 days in healing

OREA

Duncan four days later



Meet Duncan, Duchess, Beauty & Orea These babies came in with some of the worst skin infections we have ever witnessed.

Sadly they had been dumped in someones yard in the wee hours of the morning. They were brought to PAWS as soon as they were discovered. PAWS immediately rushed them to Cherokee Animal Care Clinic.

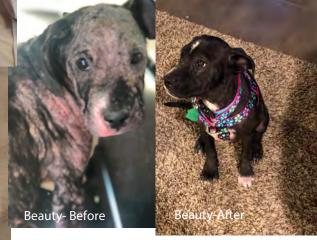
Duchess had infection so bad in her eyes that the vet could not even get them opened enough to observe the eye. Her lids were sealed shut with dried pus, feces and dirt.

All of these dogs got immediate medication and also required medical baths twice a week.

Duchess and Beauty have been adopted but Duncan and Orea are still searching for their furever home.

These sweet babies would not have been able to receive their life saving treatments if it had not been for funds we receive from YOU, our wonderful donors, YOU make the difference in the lives of these animals, You have saved them. Without YOU we could not do this





A difference you can see in the eyes of each of these precious animals. Thank you!

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In Memory of:

Smokey-beloved cat of Deb Wolfe Gifted by Michaela Woodard & Bill Early Jay McDonald M.D. Gifted by: Jack Ladenson

In Memory of Stan Hardman Gifted by Alix & Buck Parton In Memory of Jenny Hane Gifted by Marie & Jan Cranford

In Memory of William Wright "Bill" Baldwin III Gifted by Charlene & Frank Edwards In Memory of William W. Baldwin Gifted by Veronica Kuckel

In Memory of William "Bill" Baldwin III- Gifted by PAWS. Bill was a great friend and great supporter of PAWS and will be greatly missed by all of us.

In Honor of Lila, grand dog of Belinda Mumm- Gifted by Belinda Mumm

In Memory of Pee Dee, beloved dog of Charles Heath, Gifted by PAWS & Beth Cline-Stroud, the picture on the right is of Charles with his dog Pee Dee. In Memory of Smokey Beloved cat of Deb Wolfe,Gifted by Beth Cline-Stroud In Honor of Hush Puppy, beloved cat of Carolyn Gifted by Beth Cline-Stroud



## **Meet Ringo**

This sweet senior was on his own for a very long time. A Good Samaritan, Alyssa, called PAWS because she was concerned about him. Ringo was thin, timid and limping. It was very evident that Ringo was elderly and could not see or hear well. Life on the road was going to be a death sentence for him if he was not rescued soon.

Beth went out to see Alyssa and see if she could find Ringo. They devised a plan. Beth assured Alyssa that this plan had worked for her in the past to lure in a scared and timid dog. We all knew it would take a few days to win Ringo over and win his trust.

Within days Alyssa was able to win over Ringo and Beth was able to go out and pick up Ringo in order to get him the help he desperately needed.

This recovery effort could not have been successful without Alyssa. PAWS is thankful that Alyssa could see that Ringo was in need of immediate care and was willing to help gain his trust so he could be helped.

Ringo is in search of a home where he can rest on the couch or in a comfy bed and live out his senior days. Ringo has some hearing and sight loss but he doesn't let that get him down. He is most comfortable in the company of other laid back animals and people who just want to enjoy the finer things in life, ya know, good meals, comfy chairs and perhaps a favorite television show or two. Yes we do believe Ringo wants to live out his last days being a couch potato.



# 2019 LITE-A-LITE FUNDRAISER

With the holidays just around the corner, PAWS will soon hang lights for our Lite-a-Lite fundraiser. If you would like your pet's honor or memory to be represented in this special holiday display send in



the donation form below to PAWS Animal Shelter at PO Box 1814, Bryson City ,NC 28713 or stop by PAWS Thrift Store. Any donation is appreciated.



Did you know that PAWS gave out over 800 lbs of dog & cat food this year to needy families that otherwise would not have been able to feed their animals?



In honor/memory of: \_

Donor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone:

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!

### Meet Rosebud

PAWS was contacted about a stray cat that showed up at a ladies house with some very serious wounds. When we examined the cat we could tell immediately that she had been attacked by a dog or coyote. The wounds were very infected and Rosebud had to have immediate surgery to release the infection.

During all of her suffering and pain you would have never known she was as hurt as she was because Rosebud continued to be affectionate and sweet to all. She was in excruciating but still wanted to give love and comfort to others.

Come by and meet Rosebud &

all her other kitty friends at

PAWS!

Adopt



Donate

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\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to talk with someone about other ways to give (estate planning, vehicles, land, etc)

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www.pawsbrysoncity.org

Spay/Neuter



PAWS is a 501(c)3 non-profit, no-kill animal shelter existing on the generosity of private donors.

Back by popular demand by our PAWS residents, we are doing the Thanksgiving Feast for a third year in a row. We always want to do something new and special for the cats and dogs who will spend their Thanksgiving at PAWS so we made sure they would feast on Thanksgiving too!! The animals residing at PAWS Animal Shelter will have a Thanksgiving feast and also a Christmas feast to enjoy.

You can help by providing a cat or dog at PAWS with a Thanksgiving or Christmas meal. Go to http://www.pawsbrysoncity.org/thanksgiving.html to feed a cat or dog at the shelter on Thanksgiving or Christmas. If you can't give them a home for the holidays, how about a special meal on Thanksgiving? We will also be doing a special feast for Christmas as well so if you miss out on donating to the Thanksgiving Feast your donation will be put towards their Christmas Feast.



Animals are not disposable. These poor scared dogs were crammed into a small crate and put out with the garbage. It would have taken so little effort for someone to do the right thing and bring them up to the shelter. We are thankful we found them in time and also thankful that we could find them furever homes so quickly. All three of these precious dogs have been adopted out after receiving compassionate care from PAWS Animal Shelter. Here are a few after pics of what we refer fondly as our three amigos.



They got to have a happily ever after thanks to PAWS and all of our donors and supporters.

As a non-profit no-kill shelter, PAWS receives no tax dollars from any federal, state or local government, and no funding from any national animal organization. Because of this, financial contributions are always needed and appreciated in order to continue our mission. In addition to monetary gifts, there are many other ways you can help us take care of the animals in need. One such way is to purchase and donate items on our supplies wish list. Some items in particular are always in great demand at the shelter. Donated items can be left at the PAWS Thrift Store or PAWS Animal Shelter. Also see the animals holiday list on page 4

#### **BIG ITEM WISH LIST**

- · Larger vehicle for spay/neuter trips & transports
- Quarantine Building
- New shelter

#### **EVERY DAY ITEMS WISH LIST**

- Purina Dog Chow
- Purina Puppy Chow
- Purina Cat Chow
- Purina kitten chow
- Pupperoni
- Milkbones (medium and large)



- Wet dog food
- Can (wet) cat food
- Cat treats
- Cat toys/ laser toys/Cat Towers
- Laundry Detergent (he)

SCIVING DAY

SWAIN COUNT

- Bleach
- Trash Bags
- Cat litter (Tractor Supply natural pine equine pelletized bedding)
- Toilet paper
- Paper Towels
- Hand sanitizer
- Dish washing liquid

## **THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!**

**Mike Maness** Pat Chamburs Mary Huckaby Carolyn Allison Deborah Parrish Emma Britshia Becky Warner Thomas Isberg **Dean White** Sue Prothero Dean White Amanda Bradley Jeanette Deas **Nancy Foster Dean White** Florence Paul Jay Mcdonald Gail Plotner

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#### **MEET Vixen**

This sweet girl was dumped out when she needed her people the most. Tired, scared, hungry and very pregnant she started searching for food and a safe place to rest.

Luckily she was helped by PAWS. Vixen was malnourished, wet cold and all alone in this world. Seems no one really cared for her or if she lived or died but all that changed for her the minute she arrived at PAWS.

Vixen could finally rest with the knowledge that she was safe & sheltered and no longer needed to worry about food for herself or her pups when they arrive. She could finally rest up and get ready for motherhood. Vixen soon had five puppies and because she was sheltered and safe her puppies were born in a healthy clean environment.

Her worries were over.









We have Newly designed PAWS T-shirts and ball caps for sale. Buy yours at any of our events or at PAWS Thrift Store.

### **Board of Directors**

Yvette McClure, Frank Peterson, Deb Wolfe, Cindy Arnott, Beth Gibson Board meetings open to the public. Call (828) 488-0418 for next meeting date.

#### PAWS Staff

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