



# Welcome Back!!

Let's welcome June in with a smile! The Putts for Pets was a HUGE success! We met so many amazing people, had some fun, got a free bath, and raised some money. The rain may have wet the ground but it didn't dampen the fun and the love the group had for raising some money for our animal adoption center. When everything was tallied up, over \$7600.00 was raised! That is amazing for a first-time event. We have a lot planned for the next few months..... Pet Contest and Adoption Event will be held at Decked out Burgers and Hotdogs on June 22nd, Bags, Brews & Q's at Dragonglass Winery on July 27th, and our 2nd Annual Back to School Bash at the Animal Adoption Center on August 17th.

Back at the animal adoption center, there have been so many sweet, cuddly, and outgoing pets that have come into the center as well as has been adopted to their fur-ever home. It never ceases to amaze us at the number of animal-loving people that walk through our doors. We always say that "we can't do this without you", well, we MEAN IT and you show us that each and every month! Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for the love, support, and encouragement that you give us every month.

## Pet Contest and Adoption Event

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**COME ON OUT TO DECKED OUT BURGERS & DOGS**

PRIZES AWARDED **JUNE 22ND 10AM - 12PM** **NOT DOG SPECIAL 12-3**

**\$5 ENTRY**

**FOSS ANIMAL ADOPTION CENTER'S FIRST EVER PET CONTEST, ADOPTION EVENT, AND PUP CUP PARTY!**

DECKED OUT BURGERS & DOGS

1148 NORTH CAROLINA HWY 65 W. WALNUT COVE 27052

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Here is another "first" for us! We are putting on a Pet Contest! Bring out your talented pup. Do they do fun tricks just for you? Like to wear and strut their favorite clothes? The sky is the limit when it comes to what your pet can bring to our contest. The only thing that we ask is that your pet be "pet friendly" and that you "leash them" at ALL times. We will make sure that they are treated to as many pup cups as you allow and that we have some neat prizes for your talented pup. Come on out on June 22nd to Deckerd out Burger and Hotdogs 1148NC HWY 65, Walnut Cove from 10-12. There is a \$5 entry fee that will go directly to the Friends of Stokes Shelter Animal Adoption Center. We will also bring out a few of our pups so that you can meet them.

## Newsletter Highlights

Pet Contest

Snipes

Putts for Pets

Brady

Spruce

A 3rd one to the Pack

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## Look Who Got Adopted in May

|           |                    |           |
|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| Ellie Mae | Marigold           | Blondie   |
| Garfield  | Selena             | Levi      |
| Sunflower | Jordache           | Lily      |
| Rosie     | Snugg              | Raspberry |
| Leonardo  | Buttercup          | Cooper    |
| Boone     | Benjamin Blueberry | Shelly    |



# Birch

Birch is an energetic guy who loves to play with other cats. He is 5 months old and ready for his fur-ever home. He is sweet and lovable and once he is done playing, he likes some human love. Birch would love to snuggle on your lap. Apply today.



**Gracie**

**By: Martha Young**

Gracie has been a perfect fit for our family! What a blessing! Thank you FOSS for your amazing dedication to these animals!



## FOSS Team

### Board Members

- Leslie Staples - Chair
- Mike Barsness - Vice Chair/General Manager
- Caleb Swaim - Treasurer
- Tanya Gardner - Secretary
- Fran Hollis - Facilities Chair
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- Cindy Holby - Marketing Chair
- Sherry Smith

### Part-Time Employees

- Emily Burgess - Animal Operations Manager
- Renea Brown - FOSS Services Manager
- Tonya Palmer - Kennel Assistant
- Crystal Finney - Kennel Assistant
- Bethany Woods - Kennel Assistant

### Volunteer Coordinators

- Lorrie Bennett - Volunteer Coordinator
- Katie Winfrey - Volunteer Coordinator
- Cindy Taylor - Human-Animal Relations Coordinator

**Along with 30+ active volunteers!!**

## Whiskers AKA Snipes

**By: Athena Weavil**

Whiskers has adjusted well to his new home and family. He is still a little skiddish of strangers but warm and welcoming to my husband and I. Our bedroom is his safe zone. He enjoys being rubbed on the head and sleeps with us at night. He loves attention but still a little hesitant on noises and sudden movement. We are thrilled to have Whiskers as part of our family.



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**2nd Annual Back to School Bash**

**August 17th 10 am - 4 pm**

Friends of Stokes Shelter  
1111 Dodgetown Rd.  
Walnut Cove, NC 27052

**Completely FREE**

**Snow Cones Popcorn Hotdogs Cotton Candy**

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**SAVE THE DATE**

**OCTOBER 26, 2024**

8th Annual  
Friends of Stokes Shelter  
**GALA**

Luna's Trail  
Westfield, NC 27053

# Putts for Pets 1st Golf Tournament



**1st Place**

Well, our first golf tournament is in the books!! The original date was May 4th but the weather forecast had other plans. We then moved it to May 18th and Mother Nature was toying with us again but the fundraising committee said "LET'S DO IT". The day was beautiful until around 3 and the bottom fell out. By that time, the golfers had been registered, fed, door prizes drawn and with their nifty sway bags in hand. When the bottom fell out the golfers had already halfway completed the tournament and we decided to call it. The gang came trickling in all wet and ready to have some more fun. Wesley tallied up the cards and the 1st place went to the "No Clue" team (Keelan Robertson, Larson Gallimore, Larry Wall, Kevin Tedder), 2nd place went to the "John Hall" team (John Hall, Barry Marshall, Kevin Sparks, Seith Forest) and 3rd place went to the "JR'S Crew" team (Nick Conway, Nathan Paris, Matt Oakley, Dewey White). The fundraising team would like to thank all who participated, Hemlock Golf Course, and most importantly, the volunteers who worked so very hard to help make this such a huge success. We are now making notes for next year and storing away what we learned from this year so don't miss out on joining us next year.



**2nd Place**



**3rd Place**

# FOSS Donation Wall

We sincerely apologize for any errors or omissions. Please contact (336) 914-9270 or [fossservicesmanager@gmail.com](mailto:fossservicesmanager@gmail.com) with any corrections or questions.

## IN HONOR OF PEOPLE

LAUREN  
ALLISON WASHBURN

## IN MEMORY OF PET

RUBY-SCOTT ROBERTS & BRYAN  
KING

TAMMY HILL

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LOVED ONE, PLEASE SEND IT TO:

FRIENDS OF STOKES SHELTER  
1111 DODGETOWN RD.  
WALNUT COVE, NC 27052

## DONATIONS

GEORGE WADKINSON  
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GENA BOWEN  
BRITTANY WALL  
JUNIOR FROM SOUTH STOKES BETA CLUB  
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REBECCA BASS - ENTERPRISE MOBILITY GIVING

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KRISTIE VETTE  
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SANDRA KOLLAR  
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## SPECIAL THANKS

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ARTIST WAY CREATIONS  
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HARRIS TEETER  
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LORRIE BENNETT  
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LESLIE STAPLES  
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KIM HUTCHENS  
KATIE WINFREY  
LEE WINFREY

BRENDA MORGAN  
HUNTER WATERMAN  
ANY ALLEN  
KIM RICH  
LINDSAY FORD  
LAKEN FORD  
KATHY KISER



# BRADY

By: Pam Campbell



He is the sweetest dog in the whole world?! We just can't believe how wonderful he is! And he seems very happy to be here! Why did I ever worry about that? There is nothing negative about him, and we are all in love with him! The grandkids begged to let him come to school to pick them up which we did and they were thrilled. He has adapted so well it is hard to believe! It is like he has always been here. He is just seamlessly part of our lives now (including the school pick up line!). He has NO bad habits and is sweet as pie!! And smart! He doesn't need to be crated at all! He doesn't get into things he shouldn't or chew things. And he is still very young! How did we ever live without him?! So very grateful that you guys saved him and we were lucky enough to find him! just wanted to give you a quick update on the sweetest boy in the world! He is doing SO well. He seems very happy and content here, and we are all so in love with our Brady! He went back to the vet last week for vaccine boosters. His ears were still sensitive so she gave us ear cleaner to use every week for a while which seems to be helping a lot. He had lost two pounds. Yay! Also got him some shampoo at the vet, and he did great with his first bath. He just jumped right in the bathtub and let me give him a bath. We have a fun little routine when we go out to potty first thing in the morning. I take him on his leash to the back yard and release him and say GO, and he just takes off doing zoomies for a couple of minutes and then we race back to the front door (guess who always wins??). Oh, and a funny thing: he does NOT like the vacuum! He barks at it like it is an intruder! It is hilarious to watch! Our previous boy, Gus, didn't like the vacuum either but he would just go to another room to get away from the vacuum, but not Brady! So.... My husband takes him for a walk while I vacuum. Needless to say, our house hasn't had a thorough vacuuming since he arrived! We are going to do some one on one training with him in June, so maybe the trainer can help him acclimate to the vacuum. Hope all is well with you guys at FOSS! Still so impressed with what an awesome job you are doing to save so many precious animals!

# Our Volunteers Are AMAZING

## Volunteer of the Month

### **BRIANNA SWALLIE**

**BRIANNA HAS BEEN SUCH A LOYAL AND HARDWORKING HIGH SCHOOL INTERN. SHE ATTENDS SOUTH STOKES HIGH SCHOOL AND IS AN UPCOMING SENIOR. SHE HAS LEARNED SO VERY MUCH AND THE STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS HAVE LOVED WORKING WITH HER. BRIANNA IS SUCH A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH AND WILL GO VERY FAR IN LIFE. CONGRATULATIONS BRIANNA.**

## April volunteer hours



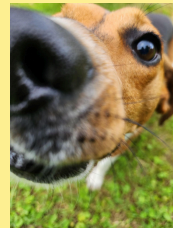
## June Birthdays

**1ST – SCOTT LINDEMUTH  
4TH – SARAH STEPHENS  
11TH – TONYA PALMER  
13TH – RENEA BROWN  
18TH – NAKAYLA PALMER  
23RD – JIMMY DAVIS**

## Spruce loves his new home!

By: Joanne Emge

Spruce is doing great from the day we took him home. He from first night sleeps in the bed with us. Loves playing in the yard. A lot of firsts. Full of energy. Loves running laps around the fenced in yard. He is not camera shy. Thank you for letting him become our family member.



## Adding A Third to the Pack



When "Chris Lawing's" name came through on our email as submitting an application, we knew this next pup would be going to a GREAT home! I was working late and called him immediately and said "When do you want to come and visit Maddie". He had to work the next day so he sent his sweet wife Kim. She brought Raven and Renn (who had been adopted from us in December 2023) over and we thought for sure that the two girls would give some type of blowback and not want to meet sweet Maddie. We took them all three out back and you would have thought they had know each other all of their lives. Maddie and Renn become INSTANT friends and Raven just stood back waiting on one of them to get hurt. LOL. They played and played and before you knew it, Maddie was getting loaded up and going to her new home.

The sweet story behind this is, not only that they fell in love, but Maddie looked like Chris and Kim's sweet girl Rouge (who had passed). In December they had come to us to find a playmate for Raven because she was grieving so bad. Raven didn't choose Lilo (now Renn) but she chose Raven. Kim and her son and his girlfriends stayed out back and played with Maddie for a long time and a few tears were even shed. Maddie (now Rai) has completed their pack!

Chris said "She is so smart. We already have potty trained and leash trained. She even knows where the treat box is and when she goes out she gets a treat on her way back in. Her and Renn are like peas and carrots They are doing great. We named "Maddie" ... Rai which means "next child". Her and Renn are so much fun! They love each other. Raven like you saw is now mommy and has to watch everything they do. lol. Maddie has been a handful teaching her about being an inside dog. But she is so much like my Rogue was it blows my mind. Our pack is bigger but we are all doing good and learning together each day. Thank you again for helping us get together! I can't believe people gave up on this girl!! She is so smart. We already have potty trained and leash trained. She even knows where the treat box is and when she goes out she gets a treat on her way back in. Her and Renn are like peas and carrots."

# OUR FUREVER HOME SWEET HOME

