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HOLIDAY EDITION!!!

This has been a really tough year for all of us. We needed to cut costs and adjust the budget to make up for the loss in revenue due to the pandemic. However that was not possible; in our industry that doesn't happen when you are dealing with animals in need. Especially when each day, another injured or sick animal is at the door of your shelter in desperate need of help. We can't turn our backs on them, they need us now more than ever.

Although it's been a hard year, we have done some really amazing things. We have rescued dogs and cats that we thought would never survive, wouldn't walk again, etc and watched them pull out of life threatening illness or injuries to be healthy and happy animals again. We've watched them learn to walk again, learn to love again and most importantly learn to trust again.

Some days we feel overwhelmed and worried but then we look into the eyes of the animals we have helped and all the worry goes away. Seeing these precious animals get a second chance to live their best life is the absolute best reward we can ask for in this job.

The rewards would not be possible without the love and support of our community and our donors. We could not help the countless number of animals without YOU!!!

With your donation today we can continue helping the animals in need. You can give them the chance they never had before entering our shelter. The chance to heal, receive medical treatment, shelter, food, LOVE and compassionate care. They can finally know and receive unconditional love, like they have always shown humans.

Please help us save more lives by donating today.



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Bryson City, NC
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AVAILABLE PAWS ANIMALS

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



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Gifts Made In Memory/Or In Honor of

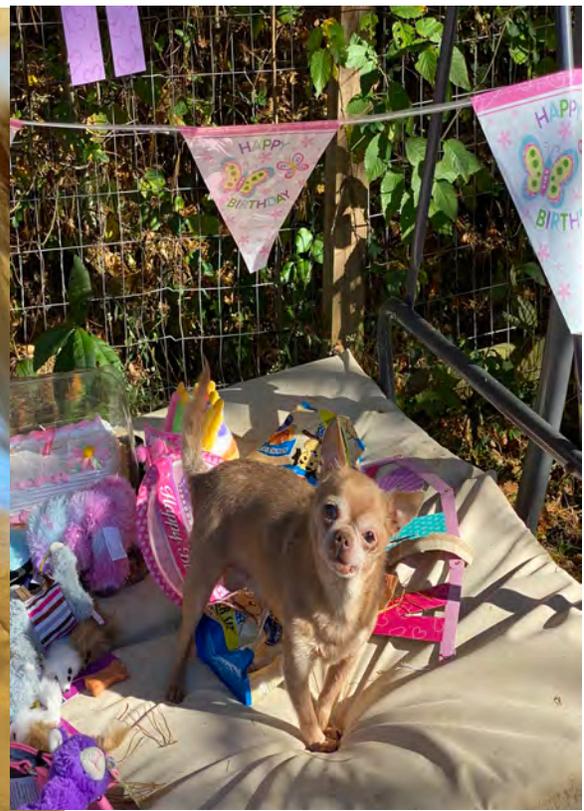
An honor or memorial gift to PAWS is a personal remembrance that honors the life of a relative, friend or pet. A memorial gift is one with special meaning - a lasting tribute that helps homeless animals in our community.

In Honor Of Diane Goshorn Gifted By: Edna Goshorn
In Honor Of my beloved husband, Buck Parton Gifted By: Alix Johnson
In Honor Of Smokey & Mr Bojangle Gifted By: Hene & Douglas Macdonald
In Honor Of Viki Bewley and In Honor Of Lynn Folley Gifted By: Merl and Bonnie Ferguson
In Memory Of Little George Gifted By: Karen and Vernon Ledford
In Memory Of Reuben Ball, Jr. Gifted By: Kimberly McGuise
Lite-A-Lite Amber, dog of Dean and Rose White Gifted By: Becky and Clark Lipkin
Lite-A-Lite In Honor Of Monica Shavatt Gifted By: Janet and Phil Novak
Lite-A-Lite In Memory Of (Hoover) Wayne Wike Gifted By: D. Janell Furtak
Lite-A-Lite In Memory Of her mother, Edna Ritter Gifted By: Allison Fontana
Lite-A-Lite In Memory Of Jay McDonald Gifted By: Terry and Jerry Bevino
Lite-A-Lite In Memory Of Schatzie and Bobby Gifted By: Paula Rauth
In Memory of Amber, Beloved dog of Dean & Rose White Gifted By: Beth Cline-Stroud
In Loving Memory of Scrappy, Beloved Alumni of PAWS Gifted By: Beth Cline-Stroud
In Loving Memory of Little George Gifted By Beth Cline-Stroud



In Memory of Little George, A little package that made a HUGE impact on all of our hearts. We were blessed to have Little George with us 5 months longer than he was expected to live.

Gifted By Beth Cline-Stroud, Georgia Dupree, Deborah Wolfe, Michelle MacPherson, Raquel Moore, Shannon Jennings, Micki McMillan, Virginia Davis, Ricky Thompson, Clover Camille Gilchrist, Frances Price, Allen Mills, Gina Wiggins, Gay Vann, Gail Findlay, John Posser, Trish Morgan, Betty Laborde, Chrissy Owle, Dustina Cooper, Annette Clapsaddle, Deb Lawley, Joyce Geiger, Jill Gregory, Mel Sunshine, Donna Laws, Brenda Chambers, Jeannie Arkansas, Billie Stallings, Mary Stewart, Rochelle Pursfull, Michelle Parsells, Kimberly Marie, Mary Jo Geary, Jeremy Hyatt, Myra Lambert, Rita Cole, Kerston Vaughn, Erin Harris, Sheila Sutton, Mildred Thomas, Jill Cooper, Billie Jones, Laura Dugan



All of our fur kids here at the shelter have written their letters to Santa with a little help from their friends. They have been extra good this year. I thought you might enjoy reading some of their letters. Santa is extra challenged this year like the rest of us. If you would like to give him a hand, we know it would be appreciated.

Dear Santa,

Not sure about this Christmas business. Now they want us to write a letter, silly hoomans! Most of my peeps here want a new family but I have Mama Beth. She takes me for rides and gets me cheeseburgers. I would like a new bed, some Pupperoni, and Lambchop toys. Love me some Lambchop! Thanks, Santa

Big Daddy

Hi Santa, My name is Coco.

I want a family to call my own, one with kids and kids and kids, I LOVE KIDS! If not my own family, maybe a foster fam? It's tough to keep this happy girl image up here in the shelter. I mean, they are great to me but I want to play with KIDS! I understand if you can't. It's a lot to ask. Some stuffed animals, some blankets, and treats and treats and treats would be great. Did I mention treats?

Love, Coco

Hi Santa! I'm a happy pupper, Sammy's my name cuddling is my game! (and hugs and kisses!) My friends say I'm a ray of sunshine.

Can I have a family for Christmas? A family to love and play and call my own? And balls and ropes and squeaky toys to play with. And Pupperoni! Thanks! Love, Sammy

Hi Santa, I'm Rusty.

Can I have a family with kids? I love em! And ear rubs and belly scratches! I love to run and play. I also love squeaky toys, stuffed animals, and any treat. I'm a VERY good boy, everyone says so! Thanks, Santa! Love, Rusty

Dear Santa, I'm Julius. I've been around for awhile. I love playing in the water, I know strange for a cat but I love it. I have a loud purr and love all the pets, treats, laps, pets, and oh, did I say pets. Ooh, and duck toys, duck toys are the best!

All us kitties would like water fountains, laser pointers, catnip, catnip, catnip, feathered toys, treats, balls, string toys, and treats!

Love, Julius

Dear Santa,

I'm Aria, I'm always thinking of others and well myself too. All of us cats would love new cat towers to play in and on. We love to sit up high and have cool hide outs for quiet time. Could you maybe bring us some cool comfy lounging towers with lots swings & hanging toys.

Love, Aria

Puppers Wish List: Balls, Blankets, Squeaky Toys, Blankets, Stuffed Animals, Pupperoni, Rope Toys, Milkbones.

Kitty Wish List: Cat Towers, Water Fountains, Cat Nip, Feathered Toys, String Toys, Stuffed Animals, Blankets, Treats

Dear Santa,

Big Daddy is helping me write cause I can't see. I had a rough time. I was found by a nice couple and they took me to PAWS. I didn't know what I did but now PAWS has me. They are so good! I don't want my old family but it would be nice to have a new family that would feed me, love me, keep me warm and petted, and understand my challenges.

I know that's a lot. I'd sure love an ortho bed (my old bones hurt), some blankets to help stay warm, and meat treats, and more meat treats.

Love, Bo Rounds

Santa, Hi, I'm Armani. I love balls, squeaky toys, Pupperoni and ohmy gosh, oh my gosh, ball, ball, ball, huh, letter, what letter? Oh, I love balls and balls and balls and things that squeak. Squeaky toys! Oh, and Pupperoni! Huh? There's a ball! Gotta go, Thanks Santa! Love, Armani

I'm a good boy, Santa! Could you bring me a family that loves me and loves me and loves me, oh, and loves me! I love to play and cuddle and get ear scratches. Could you bring me some long toys, squeaky toys, any toys, oh and treats, I love the treats! Thanks!

Love, Chestnut

Dear Santa, I'm Honey I would love a home with lots of love, pets, cuddles, and belly scratches.

Balls, I love balls! Ooh, and stuffed animals and blankets and meat treats!

Love, Honey

Hi, Santa, Baby Cakes here! Don't have time for all this. Life's tough, kids, you just have to pounce on it as best you can when your back paws don't work. Make the best of a bad thing. I need more help than I'd like to admit. I hear they have some really nice wheels, Santa, wink, wink.

Seriously, me and all the cats would love some Feathered toys, ball toys, toys with fluff or feathers, and string toys.

Thanks, Santa! Gotta jet!



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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 900 lbs of dog & cat food this year to needy families that otherwise would not have been able to feed their animals?



LITE-A-LITE

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.

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We appreciate everyone that donated to our Thanksgiving Feast. The animals enjoyed their feast. We are forever grateful to all those that participated.

Here are some pictures of our animals at the shelter enjoying their Thanksgiving Feast.



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

All pictures in this newsletter are of animals in our shelter.

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

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL DONORS, SUPPORTERS, & VOLUNTEERS.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM ALL OF US AT PAWS!

THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS

MARY HUCKABY
DEBORAH PARRISH
DEB WOLFE



MAX, NICK & NATHAN BALL
THOMAS ISBERG
DONNA THOMPSON

MARYJO MANNES
DEAN WHITE

Do your Christmas shopping and also help PAWS at the same time. That's right, when you are ordering from Amazon this holiday season please remember to use the link below.

When ordering from Amazon please remember to go to this link at smile.amazon.com/ch/56-1687336 and Amazon donates to PAWS - Placing Animals Within Society. and help our wonderful organization.

It don't cost you a thing but helps us out.

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You get your order and we get a little help that is much needed at this time.

Please help us help the animals by choosing to shop using this link.



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MEET SWEETSY...

Meet Sweetsy aka Sweet Ginger. She desperately needed our help, and even though this year we've been hit so hard already with enormous medical bills, we could not turn a blind eye.

A trap, car or perhaps another animal had left her suffering with a very mangled leg. This poor girl was suffering and all on her own. No owner came to her rescue, but we did.

The injury was horrific and we had her rushed to Junaluska Emergency. We expected to be told that her leg could not be saved, but the fine doctors at Junaluska were able to save her leg.

She was in the hospital for a several days and now is continuing treatment with us at PAWS. She is in a foster home where her leg is monitored, treated and wrapped daily. The vet said it will take several weeks to heal because her leg had been totally de-gloved. She is getting stronger and healthier each day, thanks to YOU, our donors, who continue to support PAWS when we take in the injured, the abandoned, the abused, the neglected, the sick and the stray.

To be honest I'm not sure how P.A.W.S. can continue operating when medical expenses are so astronomical but we keep finding a way to help all the animals in need. We can't do this without your help.

Can you help us today by donating?

I know you probably get tired of seeing me begging for money, but we've had a few heartbreak cases since I've asked. We had a dog with multiple breaks, two senior HW+ dogs with multiple health issues, one of whom is also blind, 2 kittens with expensive health issues, a senior cat that required surgery, a dog with severe skin issues, a dog with cancer and now also this little nugget. So yeah, I'm asking now. I'm asking for them!!!

Can you help PAWS Bryson City by donating to help these innocent animals?

We didn't get to hold our annual Wine Tasting & Silent Auction which brings in approximately \$25,000. The online auction was greatly supported but it didn't come close to what we normally bring in at our live event.

Between major veterinarian bills and expensive repairs to be done at the shelter I am worried about the health of PAWS. We can't let the animals down, we are their only hope. Please donate today if you can.

You can make a donation by mail at PAWS, PO Box 1814, Bryson City, NC 28713 or <http://pawsbrysoncity.org/donate.html>, you can also drop off a donation at PAWS Thrift Store at 110 Bryson Walk, Bryson City

Or you can even Venmo a donation if you so desire, our user name is PAWS-AnimalShelter.

Thank you for your continued support that enables us to help animals like Sweet Ginger aka Sweetsy.

It takes a village to help these animals.



Sweetsy is pictured above with Little George.

Sadly we have to report that after a long battle and defying all odds, Little George succumbed to the injuries he had sustained from being abused before we rescued him. We are at peace knowing that Little George was able to walk and even run again. He had 5 great months with us before he passed. Five months of pure love and happiness. He lived those months in a home knowing love, companionship and safety, probably for the first time in his life.

Run free Little George, we will never forget you.



We have PAWS T-shirts and ball caps for sale. Buy yours at any of our events or at PAWS Thrift Store. They make great gifts, too!

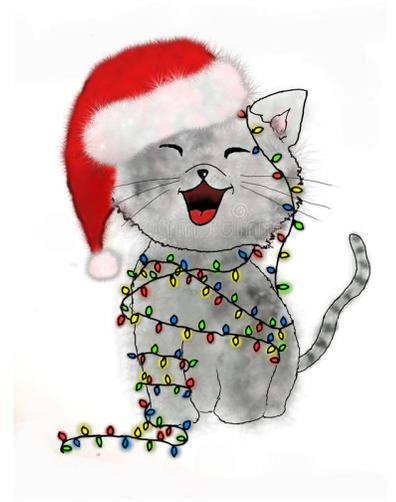


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