



## Newsletter Highlights

It is hard to believe that it is November, but, it is! It is time to remember all of the things that you are thankful for. We "should" do this everyday, but November has been earmarked to remind us to do that. Within our FOSS walls, people have welcomed in family members as well as lost family members. Be sure to keep in mind that some people you know may need a little more love given to them than others.

At FOSS, we are thankful for ALL of you! YOU have made it possible for us to continue doing what we love and what helps as many animals as possible. We had our annual gala in October and to say that you guys stepped up is an UNDERSTATEMENT. From the items donated, the bids on auction items, attending the gala all the way to just spreading the word. With all of those components, YOU made it possible for us to have the most profitable gala yet! THANK YOU SO MUCH!

- Fig
- Zeb Turns 2
- Long Time Residents
- Prissy Finds a Home



DON'T FORGET THAT YOU CAN ORDER FROM OUR CHEWY WISHLIST

## Look Who Got Adopted in October

Braveheart	Atticus	Donatello	Josie
Apache	Silas	Moon	Raphael
Nesquick	Pekoe	Ghostie	Percy
Creedmore	Acorn	Bessie	Carmello
Tigger	Cobweb	Candy Corn	Crepper
Coal	Booberry	Latte	
Flo	Lyra	Cloud	



# Disco

Disco is such a sweetheart! He enjoys sitting in your lap, or shoulder. Likes to cuddle and is very vocal. He gives great kisses and enjoys playing with toys. An all around happy and affectionate cat.



**Fig AKA Porter**  
**By:**  
**Caroline Loher**



Hello!! We adopted Porter about a month and a half ago, and since he was with you all for so long I thought it would be nice to send you an update!!

We renamed him Fig (full name Fig Newton) and he is everyone's favorite!! We take him as many places as we can, and he's already grown so much in his confidence. We have two cats that are slowly warming up to him—he doesn't understand why they don't respond well to his playful energy.

We've been training him with the basics since we got him and he's SO smart. He's also a huge snuggle bug and loves to be around us. Thank you for giving him so much love while you had him, it's evident in his personality!



## FOSS Team

### Board Members

- Leslie Staples - Chair
- Mike Barsness - Vice Chair/General Manager
- Caleb Swaim - Treasurer
- Tanya Gardner - Secretary
- Fran Hollis - Facilities Chair
- Kate Waterman - Fundraising Chair
- Aaron Sisco
- 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
- Erika Podhajser - Kennel Assistant

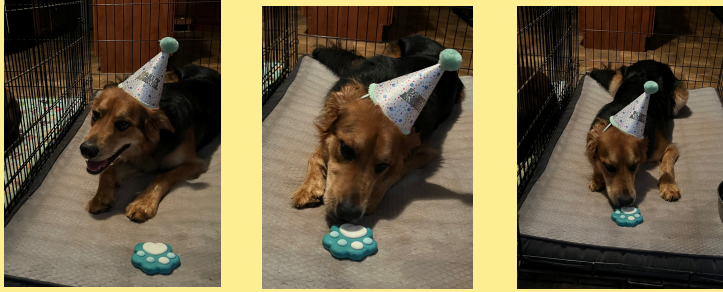
### Volunteer Coordinators

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

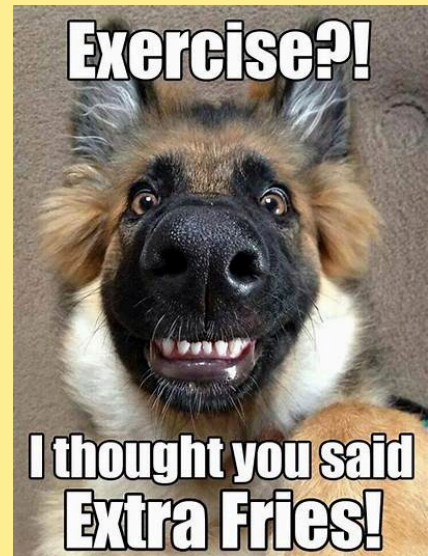
**Along with 30+ active  
volunteers!!**

# Zeb turns 2!

by: Renea Brown



Zeb was my first pup that stole my heart. I had only been with FOSS for a few days when this sweet shy boy came into the adoption center. It didn't work out with his first adopters so they did the right thing and brought him back to us. He was so VERY shy and scared. I would bring him into my office whenever I worked. Then one day this sweet lady walked in who had lost her two doggies and was ready for a new companion. When I saw her, something inside of me screamed that she was the right one for this shy boy who had stolen my heart. Paula was so patient with him and visited him regularly for a bit so that he would slowly get to know her. She decided it was time to take him home and has never looked back. She has been MORE perfect for him than I could have ever imagined. She sends me updates and comes to events when she feels that it will not be too scary for him. She sent me these sweet pictures where our boy turned 2! THIS is why we do what we do. To see these pups and kitties move on to the home that will love and treat them like family.



FOSS Adoption Center

What not to feed your pets on

## THANKSGIVING

- Turkey skin
- Cooked bones
- Stuffing
- Raisins or grapes
- Onion or garlic
- Fat trimmings
- Chocolate
- Candied yams
- Bread dough
- Alcohol

WHAT YOUR PETS CAN EAT:

- Turkey
- Green beans
- Bakes squash
- Pet treats!

# 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.

## AND FOR ALL OF THE AMAZON WISH LIST PURCHASES

### IN MEMORY OF PET

CHESADOR/ANN HARBURY  
SANDY MORRIS  
ELLIE/SARAH TUCKER  
JENNIFER ROBERTS

### IN MEMORY OF PEOPLE

ELLIE TUCKER  
JENNIFER ROBERTS  
MARCIE LEE CONRAD  
JP HANES & LUCY CONRAD

### VPP HEROES

ELIZABETH TRUMPIE	ROBERT BARNETT
DEBORAH DODSON	BARBARA SELF
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KAREN COLEMAN	CANDI CARTER
ROBIN AMOS	TAMMY MEADOWS
SANDRA KOLLAR	JEANETTE BURLESON
KATHYRN BALL	COURTNEY DWYER
DANA CURTIS	RUTH HARDEN
LARRY GREENWOOD	DEB FOX
CYNTHIA WADKINSON	ROSE OAKES
GEORGE WADKINSON	LAUREN OSTERMAN
LISA ROBERTSON	REGINA ROLLINS
KAREN GRANO	NANCY WAGNER

### DONATIONS

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### SPECIAL THANKS

VENABLE BROTHERS  
JENNIFER ROBERTS  
LUANNE MORGAN  
HOPE SHARPE  
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IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEND A DONATION IN HONOR OR IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE, PLEASE SEND IT TO: FRIENDS OF STOKES SHELTER 1111 DODGETOWN RD., WALNUT COVE, NC 27052



## Long Time Residents Find Their People!



Our sweet little Donatello and Raphael finally picked their fur-ever families. We firmly believe at FOSS that EXACTLY the right person will walk through our doors and the PERFECT resident will speak to them. Sometimes it may take a while, but it always happens. Well, that happened for our boys within the SAME month! Donatello left with a new brother named Moon and Raphael left with a human brother and a human sister. These two had come to FOSS when they were 12 weeks old and were at the ripe age of 9 months when they were adopted. The volunteers did an amazing job socializing and loving on these boys so they were ready to move on to their new homes. These two being adopted helped everyone at FOSS be reminded that "the right people will ALWAYS come". Sometimes we just have to be reminded.

October  
volunteer hours

**Our Volunteers Are AMAZING**

November  
Birthdays

**1023.5**

**YES, you read that right!!!!**

Volunteer of the Month

**Lisa Schwarz**

Lisa volunteers every Tuesday! She comes in with the most bubbly attitude and brings such a happy astosphere with her. She plays with the pups and spreads her happiness over to them.

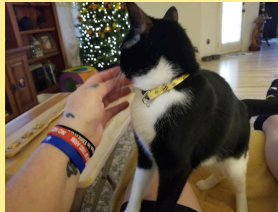
Thank you for your dedication Lisa!

- 8th - Amelia Melvin
- 12th - Lisa Schwarz
- 17th - Rory Clutts
- 21st - Kristi Mitchell  
Henry Williams



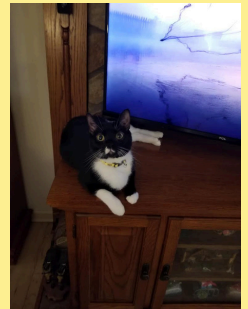
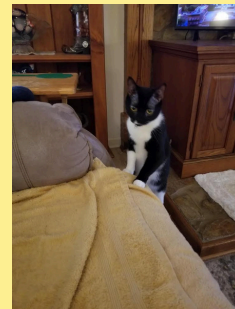
## Prissy Finds Her Furever Home

This is Prissy's favorite spot. She is a lover, of course she will let you know when to stop, lol. She also has put the boys in check.



Prissy is already exploring. She loves chilling by the TV. All the other animals got their sniff in, now they are like yeah yeah, lol. She is so sweet.

Prissy slapping the ball around. She is so loving, busy, and mischievous all in one lol. So sweet.



# OUR FUREVER HOME SWEET HOME



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