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Welcome Back!!

It is hard to believe that we are over halfway through 2024! We still have so much planned for the rest of the year. The next fun thing is our 2nd Annual Back to School Bash. It will be on August 10th and we have some cool bags to hand out to the kids and some yummy treats lined up. Please spread the word and bring those kiddos out for fun before they return to the grind.

We held our inaugural Bags, Brew & Q on July 27th. We had a great time and boy oh boy was the BBQ delicious. Darrell Calloway smoked up some beautiful butts that Mitchell's Butchery donated. We paired it with donated John Brown's baked beans, Real Q BBQ slaw, and potato salad. Our faithful friend Tim Neff got some buns donated from Flowers Bakery. We had 5 teams that signed up for the Cornhole tournament. I feel safe to say, they had a great time. 1st place went to the "KCDJ" team - Lenny Bolden and Dennis Lawless, 2nd place went to the "Bearded One" (they definitely came by that name honestly) - John Howlett and George Ross, and 3rd place went to the "Cornholio's" Lee Winfrey and Andrew Hindes. Check out our Facebook page for their winning photos.

Our sweet Nonie was out for her knee surgery but as you can tell by the increased number of "Happily Ever After" stories, she is back in full swing of things. We sure missed her!

One last tidbit, please don't think we have forgotten about our memory patio project! We have put fundraising for the cement foundation on the back burner while the other events have been in full force. If you would like to donate specially for this project, contact Renea Brown and she can help you with your donation. Thank you all for being the BEST group of supporters that an adoption facility could ever have!!

Now, enjoy this months newsletter and the sweet stories and pictures.





Newsletter Highlights

Chickadee Hazel Willow Raven Peachy Girl Suki Oatmeal Raven, Rai & Renn







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

https://www.chewy.com/g/friends-ofstokes-shelter_b114903946

Look Who Got Adopted in July

Hitch Chipper Alvin Simon Chickadee Buster Chamomile

Crimini Oyster Michelangelo Lager Cauliflower Chakra



Sweetie AKA Chickadee By: Emelie Loy



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My son said last night he loved having a puppy and that his heart was so so so happy



Hazel AKA Snuga By: Olivia Smith



I adopted Snugg back in mid May. Once I got her, I liked the name "Hazel" better for her, so that's what I've been calling her. Her once green eyes have slowly turned yellow! Her and our dog, fern, get along very well and love to play together. Hazel enjoys taking cat naps,

playing with anything she can find, and watching the birds on our screen porch.



ADOPT

ME*

Nova is a 6-year-old

spayed female who has the most beautiful blond and brown coat. She is very affectionate and would be a great partner to sit with you on the couch and enjoy some

NOVA

Netflix. She is low energy and would be best as an only pet. She visited us at Dragon Glass Winery for the Cornhole Tournament and was a well-behaved lady and rode very well during the car ride over. Visit www.friendsofstokesshelter.com and apply for her today.



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> Along with 30+ active volunteers!!



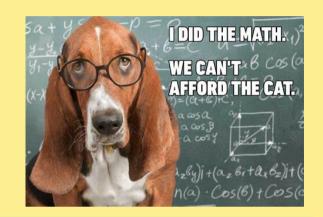
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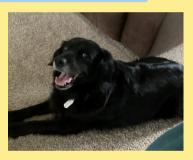
Willow By: Gina Jones This is Willow. She is now 50 lbs and full of energy!! She loves trying to eat water from the hose! She's a keeper!! Thank you!







Sadie AKA Raven By: Beverly Miller



I recently adopted Raven (new name Sadie) from FOSS. I could not be happier. I lived in Southwest Virginia for many years and moved to Pittsburgh to be close to grandchildren.

During this brief time I lost my husband and my dog which I had for 17 years. I decided to actively search for another dog and your site came up on the internet. When I saw Raven I knew she was the dog for me. So I drove to Northern Virginia and then to NC with my son to adopt her.

Working with FOSS has been a wonderful experience. She had been very well taken care of by the shelter and her foster mom, Katie.

I have had her for a month now and everyone who meets her loves her, especially my three grandchildren. If you are thinking about adopting a dog or cat I would highly recommend you check out the sweet babies on their website.

Thank you again for all you did for us.



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FOSS Donation Wall

We sincerely apologize for any errors or omissions. Please contact (336) 914-9270 or fossservicesmanager@gmail.com with

any corrections or questions.

IN MEMORY OF PEOPLE

JANET WHITT **MIKE & MARY ANNE BARSNESS** JANET WHITT JUDITH RAY & TIMOTHY MORTON **ROBIN ANNETTE DURHAM MEDLEY** OAK GROVE MORAVIAN LINDA DUDLEY **TAMMY HILL DARRELL RAPER** SHIRLEY GREEN

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IN HONOR OF PET

OLD YELLER'S 2ND BIRTHDAY **POWELL SHELTON**

IN MEMORY OF PET

BARNEY **TAMMY HILL**

SPECIAL THANKS

FOR ALL OF YOU PIPPY SUPPORTERS **BBQ SPONSORS AND CORNHOLE ENTRIES YOLO HIKER REGINA ROLLINS** LINDA CRAWFORD MARY ANNE BENNETT ANN PARKS WOODS





Peachy Girl By: Edye Bennett 7/8/2024







2 years ago today our sweet Peachy girl chose us to be her forever home. Two years of unconditional love and memories with our sweet girl. Thank you

for taking our sweet Peachy girl in when others gave up on her. If it hadn't of been for your organization we wouldn't have our sweet fur baby. We will forever be grateful. Tonight we celebrated with a dog friendly birthday cake. Just wanted to share her special day with y'all. Love David, Edye, Cody, Adriann, and Sami



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Our Volunteers Are AMAZING

<u>July</u> volunteer hours

884 hours



Volunteer of the Month Kim Hutchens

Kim has been a lifesaver many times! She always steps right in to help. She volunteers several times a week and walks her legs off walking the dogs. We are thankful to have Kim on our team

<u>August</u> Birthdays

16th - Brandy Hanks

- 24th Emily Burgess
- 29th Karen Lindemuth

Suki

By: Jessica Burton I adopted suki awhile ago (I messaged you on my other account before) so here is some updates, she LOVES these mice toys we got her (she loses them under the couch and behind the fridge though) she has 2 cat trees and loves them both, she loves the screened in porch (100% safe) and she has killed countless flys Oatmeal AKA Otis By: Allison Mabe Just wanted to check in and send the photo updates on Oatmeal. We have renamed him Otis and he does have a new friend named Ace! They're roughly two weeks apart in age. Ace was left in our yard with dog food and a ball, we had him checked for a chip, posted his photo for a few days on social media and then he just became ours. Otis and Ace are best

> friends! -Otis and Ace's Pawrents Cory and Allison



Renn, Rai & Raven: By: Chris Lawing

Just a quick update, the girls have become sisters! After just a few short months they've adapted so well to each other . Renn and Rai are very good swimmers and enjoy a dip in the pool in the afternoon heat to cool off . The dog park is still their favorite place in the world.

FOSS Input: Renn and Rai were both adopted from FOSS. Their big sister Raven, keeps them straight :-)



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Rai







Raven (probably wondering what Rai and Renn are doing!)



Sisters!

First Beach Trip



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