

PAWS PRINT

Spring Newsletter 2019

www.pawsbrysoncity.org



MOONSHINE



Meet Trooper

This sweet boy has lived up to his name and has proved he is a survivor.

A lady discovered Trooper in the woods locked up in a trap. The lady said she could hear this cat cry out for days when she would go for her daily walks and after the fourth day of hearing these cries she hiked up in the woods to see what was wrong thinking maybe it was a cat stuck up in a tree and afraid to come down.

What she discovered instead was a very emaciated, dehydrated and scared cat begging for someone to please help him and let him out.

Poor Trooper was rescued just in time. Trooper's liver was trying to shut down, and Trooper was starved to the point where his body was absorbing itself. PAWS immediately rushed Trooper to Cherokee Animal Care Clinic where he received the utmost care to save his life. Trooper had to be hospitalized, and due to his severe dehydration, he had to receive SubQ fluids for several days even after he was released from the hospital.

Trooper was so emaciated that he lost a lot of his muscle mass that can't ever be restored. This has caused his eyes to sink in and droop down. Just as soon as he is stable, he will undergo surgery to help with this muscle loss around his eyes.

Trooper is on several medications and fighting off lots of secondary infections due to his close call with death. Traps should never be left unattended, in Trooper's case it was almost a death trap.



Please donate to PAWS so we can get Trooper the surgery he so needs and deserves.

We are expecting Trooper to make a full recovery. This would not be possible without our wonderful donors. Without you, we could not save the lives that we do every day.

How Trooper got his name-Our shelter manager made the statement about his being such a good trooper through all of this, and we knew the name was perfect for him.

DID YOU KNOW.....

PAWS donated over 60 dog houses and 60 bales of hay in January to families that could not supply shelter or warmth to their animals living outdoors.

We are thrilled to tell you because of your generosity and support, we have been able to assist over 800+ animals in 2018. It has also allowed us to assist in helping hundreds of animals get spay/neuter surgeries in Swain County this year.

PAWS has supplied over 2,000 lbs of dog and cat food to families in need. We want to ensure that no animal goes hungry.

Did you know that the majority of animals we currently have in our shelter at this time have come to us due to animal cruelty or neglect? Did you know that 84% of our vet and medical bills stem from animals that are severely neglected or abused? That's right their ailments or injuries came from the hands of a human. That percentage is way too high, we as a society must do better. Another reason why we work so hard to bring more awareness and education about proper and responsible care and fight so hard against animal cruelty.

Did you know that a large portion of the animals in our shelter at this time are there because a local county official or officer called for our assistance, yet we get zero county or state funding?

On March 29th Mountain View Manor hosted a benefit for PAWS. They raised over \$900 with this beautiful and delicious lunch benefit.

Thank you Mountain View Manor for hosting such a great event.

Thank you to Deborah Wolfe for planning, organizing & pulling off such a tremendous and successful benefit. Thank you to Boonie Wolfe for the delicious BBQ, Amanda Curtice for more delicious BBQ, Sophia Brown, Christy Woodard Bowers, Kim Bryson, Patty Ambrosino, Deb Sands, and Sandi Cline for the delicious desserts. A huge thank you to Deb Douthit for all your help. Thank you, Jessica W. Bell for keeping everyone straight. Thank you also to Beth Cline, Cindy Arnott, Nancy Arnott Beth Gibson, and Carolyn Allison for pitching in today to help. Thank you, Dennis Claude Ramsey, for your help and support. Most of all, thank you to all the people that ordered and (hopefully) enjoyed the food.

Mountain View Manor is Pawsome!!!



WISHLIST DONATIONS

- Purina Dog Chow
- Purina Puppy Chow
- Purina Cat Chow
- Purina Kitten Chow
- Pupperoni
- Milkbones (med. and large)
- Wet dog food
- Can (wet) cat food
- Cat treats
- Cat toys/ laser toys
- Laundry Detergent (he)
- Bleach
- Trash Bags
- Cat litter (TS natural pine equine pelletized bedding)
- Toilet paper
- Paper Towels
- Hand sanitizer
- Dish washing liquid

Items can be dropped off at the shelter or PAWS Thrift Store

2019 QUILT RAFFLE

Purchase your tickets for the 2019 PAWS Quilt Raffle. All proceeds from the raffle benefit PAWS Animal Shelter. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Drawing will be in October. Purchase tickets at any PAWS event or at the PAWS Thrift Store. You can also fill out the tickets on the opposite page and send your donation to: PAWS Animal Shelter PO Box 1814, Bryson City, NC 28713.



SAVE THE DATE!!! Saturday, August 31st.

Our biggest fundraiser is just around the corner!!

PAWS 15th Annual Wine Tasting & Silent Auction is Saturday, August 31st.

We tried a couple of new things last year that we found did not work for us, so we are pleased to announce that Raquel Moore will be catering the food and desserts for the event this year and Debbie will be back as our awesome MC.

We are so delighted to have Debbie Mills take back the microphone and continue her role as our amazing MC. We missed her last year, so we are thrilled she will be back as the master of ceremonies.

As always it's going to be a blast with Music by The Freestylers Great food, Wine & Beer Tastings.



 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

 **QUILT RAFFLE**
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____



HANS & FAITH



In January PAWS participated in a large-scale puppy mill operation in Candler County, Georgia. Working in conjunction with the Humane Society of the United States, Atlanta Humane Society, & CHHS, PAWS brought back two young adult German Shepherds to the mountains of western North Carolina. This was a large-scale rescue operation that spanned two counties and multiple animal welfare agencies across many states. At the scene in Candler County where we were, 165 German Shepherds were living in filth and horrifically inhumane conditions.

In total there were over 400 German Shepherds that needed to be quickly removed from these horrid conditions.

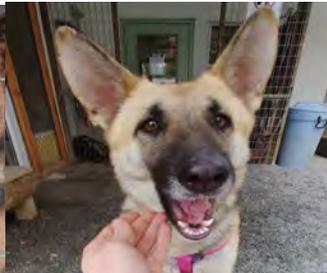
Atlanta Humane has helped P.A.W.S. in the past when we have needed help with overcrowding in our shelter, so we knew we needed to assist them in any capacity possible when dealing with such a large quantity of dogs. No one shelter should ever have to bear this burden alone, no matter the size of the facility.

We are so glad we were able to help AHS if only by taking in two- Meet Hans & Faith. Hans has been adopted, but Faith needed time to heal. When she came into PAWS, she couldn't use her back leg. We took Faith to the vet, and they determined that it was canine bites that never got any medical attention and had become very infected.

Neither Hans or Faith had ever experienced the gentle touch of a human hand so being petted or cared for was foreign to them. They were never socialized and before being rescued had lived in small lots with lots of other dogs with no real human interaction. Faith had several canine bites on her body that significantly tells the tale of the anguish and pain she must have suffered not only by the humans but the other dogs sharing the lot with her.

PAWS staff spent several weeks rehabilitating both Hans and Faith and now both love to feel the loving touch of humans and now love human interaction and companionship.

Hans has already been adopted but Faith needed more time to heal. Come by and meet our beautiful girl Faith.



FAITH



They love being part of the festivities each year and enjoy celebrating the holidays. We recycle the decorations & outfits to use them again each year. We wanted to share a few of the pictures from this year's holiday celebrations.





Meet Moonshine

Moonshine hit and run victim. So sad to know that after he was hit by a car, he was left in the median with only a bowl of water and after surviving being struck by a car he still came so close to being shot rather than helped. His injuries were severe, and he was in excruciating pain, and now his fate was being determined because Swain County has no animal control and no one willing to claim ownership of him or take on the medical expense to help him. Nor would they take him to the animal hospital. The deputy had been instructed by his commanding officer to shoot him because there was no other options.

Luckily for Moonshine P.A.W.S. was the option and when the deputy called PAWS we were willing to take on those responsibilities and save his life. PAWS made sure that he was immediately taken to Junaluska Emergency Animal Hospital.

Moonshine had to have surgery, and one of his back legs was crushed so severely it could not be saved. He had large lacerations on his other hind leg that required several staples. His whole little body was bruised and swollen. The orthopedic surgeon was hoping he could save the leg but when he went to set it and put pins in the leg he realized there was nothing to hold it together: because the femur bone was crushed into tiny pieces.

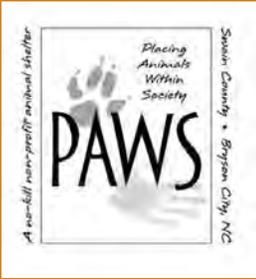
Moonshine had to stay hospitalized for over a week and then came home with a foster to finish healing and to receive care in learning how to walk with only three legs.

Moonshine has not let that slow him down or dampen his spirit, and he now runs and plays and loves playing with other dogs.

His surgery & hospital care cost P.A.W.S. close to \$2,000 but seeing him and knowing he is going to live now a happy and healthy life makes it worth every cent.

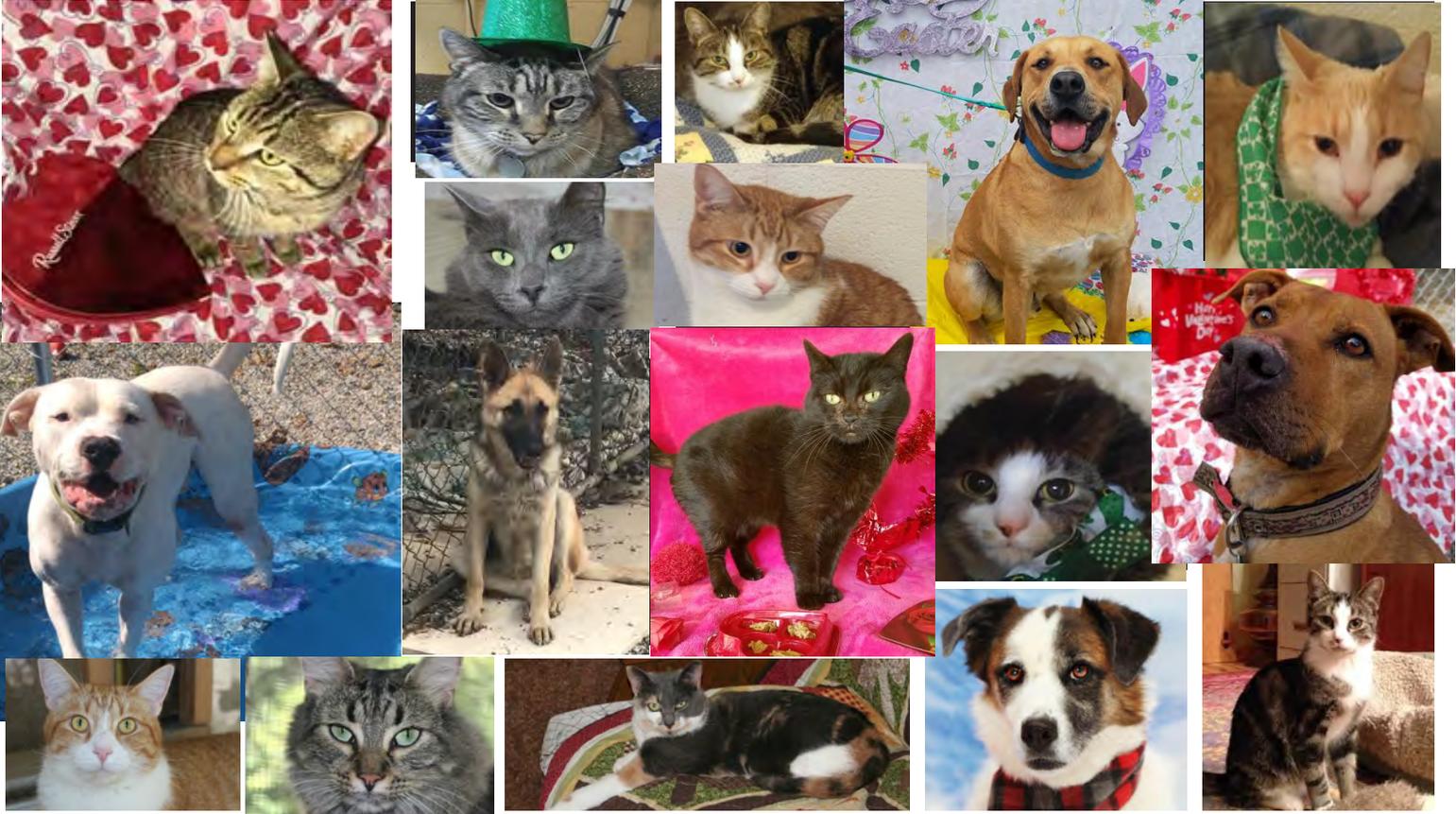
Your donations help us to keep doing this life-saving work and save the Moonshines & Troopers of the world. Both of the animals were saved and helped by PAWS in March, but these two are just two of the hundreds of cats and dogs PAWS has been able to help. We can't save these animals without your help. Please donate!!





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 HELP THEM

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

- Be a volunteer
- Make a \$ _____ donation for shelter supplies
- Sponsor a dog or cat with medical expenses
- Pledge \$ _____ a month to help all PAWS animals
- I would like to talk with someone about other ways to give (estate planning, vehicles, land, etc)



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

Send your tax deductible contribution to: **PAWS Animal Shelter**
PO Box 1814 Bryson City, NC 28713

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

Donna Allen
 Leighauna Beckham
 Mitchell Brock
 Brittany Bruke
 Austin Byers
 Noah Clayton
 Olly Cotterman
 Summer Davis
 Oaklan Deas
 Kenzie G.
 Noah L.
 Adrienne McPherson
 Steve Nichols
 Skyler Owle
 Christy Parker
 Raymond Parker
 Florance Paul
 Atumn Pine
 Gail Plotner
 Bryanna Rhodes
 Issac Sawyer
 Haley siezemore
 Rayah Smith
 Carleigh Smith
 Joel Smith
 Darcy VanLinenden
 James White
 Lindley Wyatt
 Kaetlyn Cabe
 Emma Craver
 AJ Greene
 Cooper Pine
 Dean White
 Jay McDonald
 Florence Paul
 Kelly Thomas-Hill
 Stormie Lequire
 Mary Jo Maness
 Mike Maness
 Mary Huckaby
 Deborah Parrish
 Becky Warner
 Thomas Isberg
 Carolyn Allison
 Cindy Arnott
 Nancy Arnott
 Beth Gibson
 David Stroud

An enjoyable weekend happened to start the month of March. Becky Ramey got in touch with Beth at the first of the year and told her that she was going to raise some money and awareness for PAWS and she did just that. Thanks to the Hillbilly Jam guest and Moonshiners our van was loaded up with pet food and money was collected at the event to help support the PAWS cause. It was a lot of fun, and the best part is Becky said we are going to do it all again in July 26/27 at Hillbilly Summer Jam. Here are a few pictures from this awesome event. Thank you, Becky Ramey and The Moonshiners for all that you have done to help PAWS.



It's coming... The 10 year Anniversary of HILLBILLY JAM...Maggie Valley NC July 26/27... Just don't here about it...Come be part of it, The Volume Shop And Soundshaker Productions Team up for the Biggest Party in WNC...On Stage this year are super stars as .. Diamonds and Whiskey / Hillbilly Bonez / Wayward Reason / Broke -n- Busted / Benny Wilson / Brinn Black / John Wiggins / Cole Sitzler / Joe Lasher / Canaan Cox / Andrew Rickman and No Pressure / Keil Nathan Smith / And Dirty Grass Soul...Guaranteed to be the Biggest Jam so Far.. We can't wait, and they will once again be collecting for PAWS!!!! Come out to this fun event and also support your favorite shelter PAWS at the same time. Yay, we can't wait!!!!

GIFTS MADE IN

honor / memory

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 Amazing Grace

In Honor Of Beth Cline-Stroud

In Honor Of Kay McGaw's 94th Birthday

In Honor Of Mary Jo Brooks Maness

In Honor Of Carolyn Allison

In Honor Of Ramona Parsons Birthday

In Memory Of Jenny Hane

In Memory Of Jenny Hane

In Memory Of Jenny Hane

In Memory Of Marian Donahoe

In Memory Of my husband Russell Webb

In Memory Of my uncle Dockie Brendle

In Memory Of our wonderful dogs Lucky & Taylor

In Memory Of Sheba

In Honor of Yvette McClures Birthday

In Loving Memory of Jenny Hane

Gifted By: Lois Baker

Gifted By: Mary Stewart

Gifted By: Charles & Sharon Cousins

Gifted By: Michelle Farley

Gifted By: Karen Ledford

Gifted By: Valerie Ely

Gifted By: Kathy McDonald

Gifted By: Elizabeth Virgil

Gifted By: Cindy Rayner

Gifted By: Deborah Donahoe

Gifted By: Leshia Webb

Gifted By: Leshia Webb

Gifted By: Mary Jo & Mike Maness

Gifted By: Becky Lipkin

Gifted By: Jane Bowman

Gifted By: Richard Hane



**Virginia
(Jenny) Hane
1959 - 2019**

Lite A Lite

In Honor Avett the Hound Dog Gifted By: Karen Williams

In Honor Cooper Furtak, my beloved yorkie Gifted By: Janell Furtak

In Honor Deezal Gifted By: Mary & Joseph Scott

In Honor/memory of Paul Gifted By: Ellen Hartsfield

In Memory of Roxy & Zoe Gifted By: Monty & Diana Clampitt

In Honor of Liz Penleys Birthday Gifted By: Turkey Creek Campground

In Honor of The McMillans & Smiths Gifted By: Turkey Creek Campground

In Honor Of-Abby, Arty & Sadie Gifted By: Gail Plotner

In Memory of Boots, Tippy Chella & Josie Gifted By: Kathy & Dave Allison

In Honor of All PAWS Staff, Board & Volunteers Gifted by Beth Stroud

In Memory Nikki, Yona, Bugsy, Sophie & Kodi Gifted By Beth Stroud



Thank you to all of our wonderful donors and sponsors. Without you, we could not change the lives of these animals.

Words can never express the gratitude we feel for every donor. You are the real heroes and paws angels on earth.

Did you know you can support PAWS when you shop on Amazon? Simply go to

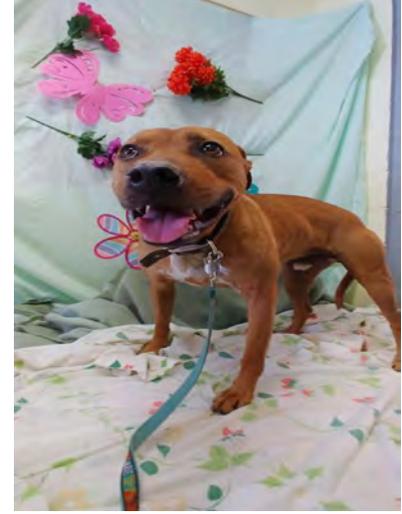
smile.amazon.com, and choose Placing Animals Within Society

(PAWS) as the organization you want Amazon to donate to. Everytime you shop on AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate a portion of the price of your purchase to PAWS - at no cost to you!

amazonsmile
You shop. Amazon gives.



HAPPY SPRING
FROM ALL OF US AT PAWS!!



Board of Directors

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

PAWS Staff

Beth Cline-Stroud, Executive Director
 Jesse Fortner, Shelter Manager
 Vicky Williams, Thrift Store Manager
 Caroline Williams, Kennel Tech
 Meredith Clark, Kennel Tech
 Aimee Abbott, Kennel Tech
 Becky Wright Administration & Thrift Store Assistant

Non Profit Org.
 US Postage
 PAID
 Bryson City, NC
 Permit #64



PAWS Animal Shelter
 PO Box 1814
 Bryson City, NC 28713