



## Welcome Back!!

We are sure that you have noticed that the newsletter looks different. As with anything, you keep tweaking it until you have it right! We can still keep tweaking so email us your feedback to FOSSSERVICESMANAGER@GMAIL.COM and give us your suggestions.

FOSS cannot thank all of you and our volunteers enough for all that you do to keep this Adoption Center running. [If you haven't seen the video tour \(that was hosted by our very own Lorrie Bennett\) we suggest that you visit our website and check it out.](#)

We are so very proud of this facility and are thrilled to make it possible for you to take this video tour. Now enjoy the stories, pet tips and all of the wonderful things that have been included in this issue.



### Animal Facts that Make You go HUMMMM!

- A Cow Gives Nearly 200,000 Glasses of Milk in a Lifetime
- Pigeons Can Do Math
- Giraffes Can Hum, but Only at Night
- Wild Chimps Like to Drink
- Kangaroos Do, in Fact, Fart
- Koalas Sleep up to 22 Hours a Day
- Elephants Are the Only Animal That Can't Jump
- Octopuses Can Taste with Their Arms
- Sloths Can Take up to a Month to Completely Digest a Single Leaf
- Squirrels Will Adopt Orphans
- Butterflies Taste with Their Feet
- Squirrels Plant Thousands of New Trees Each Year
- Cows Have Best Friends
- Gorillas Can Catch Human Colds and Other Illnesses
- The Bat is the Only Mammal that Can Fly



## Newsletter Highlights

INTERESTING ANIMAL FACTS

DOG TREAT RECIPE

WATCH FOR TURTLES

PAW NEW LEASH ON LIFE

FRANKS FAIRY TALE STORY



### Apple and Peanut Butter Dog Treats

- 4 cups whole-wheat flour
- 3/4 cup quick-cooking oats
- 1/4 cup wheat germ
- 1/2 cup all-natural, unsweetened applesauce
- 1/2 cup all-natural peanut butter (no sugar or salt added)
- 1 1/2 cups water
- 2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- 1 egg

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. In a large bowl, combine all ingredients; mix well.
2. On a floured surface, knead the dough until it is firm.
3. Roll the dough to a 1/4-inch thickness. Cut with a cookie cutter of your choice. Transfer cookies to a baking sheet.
4. Bake for 45 minutes. Turn off the heat; let the cookies stand in the oven until hard, 1 to 2 hours.

## RECURRING DONATIONS

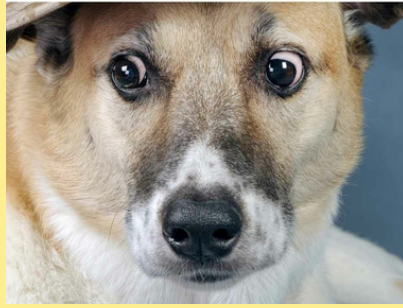
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Click the DONATE tab > Click setup recurring donation here button

## LOOK FOR US UNDER THE WHITE TENT

JULY 8TH 10-4  
SUMMERTIME BASH  
ROBERTSON FAMILY FARMS  
390 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. KING

"ME AFTER INTERACTING WITH  
PEOPLE FOR 5 MINUTES."



# FOSS Team

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Bethany Woods – Kennel Assistant

## Volunteer Coordinator's

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

Along with 30+ active volunteers!!

### *Why did the turtle cross the road?*

Unlike the chicken, turtles aren't just trying to get to the other side, but have someplace to go. During the early summer, many female turtles cross roads bearing eggs, moving toward familiar nesting areas. Semi-aquatic turtles can have seasonal movements between different wetland habitats. Hatchlings in roadways can be looking for ponds and backwaters to serve as their permanent home.

What's the right way to help a turtle cross a road?

- Don't put yourself or others in danger. Simply pulling off the road and turning on your hazard lights may alert other drivers to slow down. Be aware of your surroundings and traffic.
- Avoid Excessive Handling. While wanting to examine turtles closely is hard to resist, excessive handling can disrupt their normal behavior.

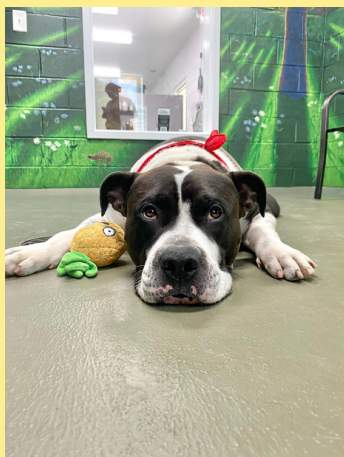
- **Allow Unassisted Road Crossings.** If there is no oncoming traffic, let the turtle cross the road without help. Observe from a distance and avoid sudden movements that may startle it, otherwise, the turtle may change direction, stop, or seek shelter within its shell.
- **Handle Turtles Gently.** If you must pick up a turtle, gently grasp the shell edge near the mid-point of the body with two hands. Some turtles empty their bladder when lifted off the ground, so be careful not to drop it if it suddenly does.
- **Maintain Direction of Travel.** Always move a turtle in the same direction it was traveling when you saw it. Place the turtle at least 30 feet from the road (not on the roadside), so that if startled by the experience, the turtle does not get disoriented and accidentally run back into the roadway, or freeze and get run over. Turtles should always be moved across roadways in as direct a line as possible. You might be tempted to "help" the turtle by moving it to a wooded area or water body, but the correct solution is to quickly move the turtle the shortest distance possible.

## 5 Tips to Keep Your Pets Paws Safe This Summer!





# I NEED A FAMILY



## BIG MAC

BIG MAC WOULD LIKE TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT WHEN ALL THE COOK-OUTS, TAILGATING AND FIREWORKS ARE OVER, HE WILL STILL BE HERE, WAITING FOR HIS NEW BEST FRIEND. HE IS 3 YRS YOUNG, 90LB, NEUTERED, HW NEG, UP TO DATE ON VACCINES/PREVENTION. HE LOVES PEOPLE OF ALL AGES, ENJOYS MOST OTHER DOGS BUT IS DECIDEDLY NOT A CAT PERSON. HE GETS HIS FEELINGS HURT EASILY AND POUTS. ADOPTION APPLICATION AVAILABLE AT [FRIENDSOFSTOKESSHELTER.COM](http://FRIENDSOFSTOKESSHELTER.COM)



## PAW ALLIANCE NEW LEASH ON LIFE & NEW START IN LIFE

THE FRIENDS OF STOKES SHELTER HAVE BEEN SO THANKFUL TO BE ABLE TO PARTNER WITH THE PIEDMONT ANIMAL WELFARE ALLIANCE (PAW ALLIANCE). THIS AMAZING ORGANIZATION IS AN ALL-VOLUNTEER ANIMAL WELFARE NONPROFIT IN FORSYTH COUNTY, NC. THEY ENVISION A WORLD WHERE NO PERSON OR ANIMAL WILL BE THROWN AWAY, AND THEIR MISSION IS TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITY ONE WHERE ALL PETS AND PEOPLE HAVE SAFE AND LOVING HOMES.

THEY PARTNER WITH THE FORSYTH CORRECTIONAL CENTER, A MINIMUM-SECURITY MEN'S PRISON AND THE WINSTON-SALEM DOG TRAINING CLUB IN A NEW LEASH ON LIFE, A N.C. STATE PRISON DOG-TRAINING PROGRAM. THEY ALSO FORM ALLIANCES WITH AREA RESCUE GROUPS TO HELP DOGS MOST IN NEED.

THEY ALSO COLLABORATE WITH FAMILY SERVICES FORSYTH COUNTY IN A NEW START IN LIFE, SUPPORTING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORS AND THE PETS THEY LOVE. WE OFFER FOSTER CARE OR SAFE LODGING TO PETS WHILE THE SURVIVOR IS IN THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER.

WE HAVE BEEN LUCKY ENOUGH TO HAVE THEM CHOOSE SEVERAL DOGS FROM OUR ADOPTION CENTER. WE HAVE TWO THAT WILL BE JOINING THEM ON JULY 10TH. VISIT THEIR WEBSITE [WWW.PAW-ALLIANCE.ORG](http://WWW.PAW-ALLIANCE.ORG) AND CHECK THEM OUT.





## FOSS Donation Wall

We sincerely apologize for any errors or omissions. Please contact (336) 914-9270 or [fosservicesmanager@gmail.com](mailto:fosservicesmanager@gmail.com) with any corrections or questions. Gifts are listed from A-Z

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### IN HONOR OF PET

### IN MEMORY OF PEOPLE

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

## Update on Millie Sue

Her new mom said that “she and Millie are doing great! She is such a smart dog.” They visited her new aunt’s house and she played with Roxie (who also came from the Adoption Center).



We LOVE it when we hear back from an adopter.

**LOOK WHO GOT ADOPTED IN JUNE!!!**

CANNELLINI BEAN  
BOBBY  
MEOWTH  
FRANK SINATRA  
NELLIE  
SNIPES  
TOBY  
FETTUCHINI  
EEVEE



## JUNE'S ADOPTION STORY

### Franks Fairy Tale

By: Cindy Taylor

Frank found himself in animal control after being picked up as a stray. With his gorgeous ice blue eyes, it's hard to imagine what could have happened to keep him from being reunited with his family. After several weeks he came to us at FOSS as a happy, loving boy.

Along with Frank, a very timid, but very sweet girl named Millie Sue also came to FOSS looking for her forever home. She was so scared of the shelter environment and it wasn't long before the people working at FOSS noticed that Frank and Millie Sue seemed to really enjoy each other's company.

With Frank as a friend, Millie Sue blossomed. She started playing and looking for affection too. The two were so close and everyone hoped they could find a home together.

Sometimes the universe has other plans.

Millie Sue met someone looking for a companion and quickly warmed up. Her sweet personality and adorable face won her a great home. Now Frank was left at FOSS without her.

Not to worry, Frank became everyone's friend. He played with all the other dogs and became especially close with Charlie. They went on outings together and shared play time, but life at the shelter can't compare to living in a real home with a special person.

And now the true magic starts.

In all the Facebook shares, someone saw Frank's picture and knew it looked just like a friend's dog. They sent it to him and asked if his dog was missing. No, his dog, Bella, a female was safe, but Frank looked almost identical to her. He contacted FOSS and the two dogs' stories matched up. Frank and Bella were litter mates! He sent in an application, brought Bella for a meet and greet, and the cosmic stars aligned.

Frank is home now, with his sister and a wonderful human to play with him and give him all the attention he deserves. Sometimes they really do live happily ever after.



### VOLUNTEER HOURS

FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE WE HAD 616.25 HOURS!! THAT IS AMAZING! OUR VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH FOR JULY IS:

**LORRIE BENNETT - LORRIE IS ALWAYS READY TO HELP AND GOES ABOVE WHAT WE CAN EXPECT. WE CANNOT THANK HER ENOUGH FOR HER CONTINUED DEDICATION!!**