

PAWS Print

PAWSITIVELY FUN KIDS DAY TO BE HELD AT RIVERFRONT PARK

On Saturday, July 2nd, P.A.W.S. will be hosting the "Pawsitively Fun Kids Day" at Riverfront Park in downtown Bryson City.

We want to do something for the kids in the community that will be fun and educational at the same time. Of course, it's not limited to children but the focus will be on "kids" from ages 1 to 100.

Our goal is to have kids come and learn about animal care and responsibilities, but do it in a fun and entertaining way.

Beth Cline, P.A.W.S. board member and fundraising committee member brought the idea to the table and it was met with great enthusiasm. The committee went right to work on laying out a plan for the days events and activities.

WHAT IT TAKES

Planning is 70% of making the event successful. So far we have entertainment lined up, a dog agility demonstration, face painting, animal trivia booth, arts and crafts, games and other kid stuff. If you would like to volunteer to help us make this a successful day, we would love the help whether it be in the planning stages or on the actual day of the event.

DON'T BE SHY

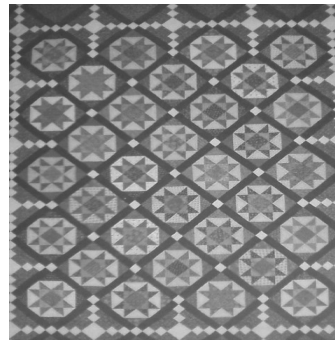
We can use your help with event layout, designing a poster, baking goodies for the bake sale tent, manning a booth, helping with the dogs at the event, set up, break down. Do you have a talent you want to add to the event schedule that is related to kids and animals? Let us hear from you! Contact Beth Cline at 488-2189 or email at pawsbrysoncity@yahoo.com.

QUILT RAFFLE TIME!

In May, 1861 a civilian came to the quarters of First Lieutenant Terry. Out of a basket he pulled a four week old pup. Terry took the pup into his quarters and made her a nest under his bunk. He named her Sallie. She learned the soldiers life and was first out of quarters to attend role call. During drills she would pick a soldier and prance alongside him during exercises. By 1864 Sallie had grown with a soft coat and broad chest. Her eyes were a bright hazel. She was active and quick with powerful endurance. She frequently positioned herself at the end of the battle line barking at oncoming troops.

Two months before the war's end Sallie was killed at Hatcher's Run. Amidst the raging battle her regiment buried her on the field where she fell.

In 1890 the surviving members of her troop dedicated a monument to all those soldiers who fought and died in that great battle. At the base of the statue is a bronze statue of Sallie...keeping watch through eternity over the spirits of her boys. A dog so loyal they insisted she be remembered on "their" monument for all time.



WIN SALLIE'S QUILT

This beautiful quilt is made with Civil War reproduction fabric by Maddy Haughn and Susan Roper. It measures 91" x 106". An actual photo of Sallie, taken during the war will be reproduced onto the back label of the quilt.

The quilt will be displayed at The Cottage Craftsman and tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. To see the full color quilt go to our website at www.pawsbrysoncity.org

March/April 2011
SPRING EDITION

ADOPTION DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN!

Starting in May P.A.W.S. will be back the **first Saturday of every month** through October on the front lawn at Charleston Station on Main Street showing off our adoptable dogs and cats.

Stop by and pet a dog or cat - better yet, fall in love and adopt! See you there between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

ADOPTION DAYS SCHEDULE

MAY 7
JUNE 4
JULY 2**
AUGUST 6
SEPTEMBER 3
OCTOBER 1

** will be at Riverfront Park

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ANNE KING!!

No greater friend
could a furry child ask
for
Love, P.A.W.S

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Goodbye winter! I hope everyone stayed relatively warm through the last few cold months. With springs arrival it's that time of year when puppies and kittens start showing up in overwhelming numbers. If you've been thinking about getting your pet fixed you should make your appointment now!

This time of year the vets office can be backed up for weeks with neuter/spay surgeries. Make your appointment early and avoid the chance of your pet getting pregnant or getting some one else's pet pregnant. P.A.W.S. has the only low-cost spay/neuter program in the county! You won't find a better deal than us.

A round of appaws goes to **Ramelle Smith**, our board chairwoman and CEO of Blue Girl Bakery Treats. Ramelle baked and raised over \$1,200 in doggie biscuit sales for P.A.W.S. in 2010. This is an all-time record! Thank you to the **Cork & Bean, The Cottage Craftsman, Watershed Trading Company** and **Outdoor 76** of Franklin—without them we would not have had such a banner year! And of course, THANK YOU Ramelle!

Another round of appaws goes to **Bill Hayes** and **Cornwell Tool Truck**. In 2010 Bill challenged his customers to help raise money for the shelter through our Pennies For P.A.W.S. donation jar. Cornwell Tool Truck and Bill was our #1 Pennies For P.A.W.S. jar bringing in \$1,116.48.

Woow, that's a lot of pennies! Thanks to Bill and all of his customers!

In January P.A.W.S.' kennel floors were resurfaced as mandated by the NC Department of Agriculture. This was a very expensive job.

Thanks to the **Humane Society of the United States** and **NC Veterinary Medical Association** for grants to help with the cost of the work and businesses and individuals in the community that also helped reduce the cost by providing complimentary food and discounted lodging for the work crew:

Microtel, BoJangles, Elaine Shoaf, Iron Skillet, Jane Finneran, Mountain Perks Café & Jimmy Macs.

And many thanks to **Beth Cline, The Ely Family, Carol Schulz and Ann Bullock** who fostered some of the dogs for the week so the crew could work. And guess what? Two of the dogs didn't make it back to the shelter! Another happy ending! Gotta love those fostering gigs!

The floors look beautiful and the inspector is happy. Whew.....

On Tuesday, March 15th, our shelter manager, Kessa Thomas, received on P.A.W.S. behalf a check from the **Swain United Gift Fund** for \$5,000. The money is designated for food, medical care and community spay and neuter program. Thank you to **everyone** who supports our cause through the Swain United Gift Fund campaign.

On March 10 we were presented with a \$750 check by **Pat Thomas** from the **Verizon Foundation**. The Foundation honors its employees who volunteer for nonprofit organizations by rewarding the organization they volunteer for with a \$750 grant. Pat has contributed over the 50 required hours to many facets of the P.A.W.S. organization.

Thank you Pat!



Pictured left to right: Kessa Thomas & Bonnie, Ellen Kilgannon & Cap'n Connelly & Pat Thomas

PAWS Wish List

cat litter

Toilet Paper

Bleach

Paper towels

Dish detergent

Dog biscuits

Rawhides

Cat/dog toys

Large trash bags

Gallon/quart zip lock bags

Propane delivery

Purina Dog & Puppy Chow

Purina Cat & Kitten Chow

Laundry detergent

Adopt me



SAVE THE DATE

P.A.W.S. 8th Annual



Wine Tasting & Silent Auction

When? Saturday, Sept. 3rd 2011

7pm—9pm

Where? Land's Creek Log Cabins "Harmony Hall"

This is our largest fundraising event of the year! Join us for an evening of fun! \$20 Admission at the door.

If you would like to volunteer, donate something for the auction or be a sponsor, contact Ellen at 333-4267 or email her at:

pawsbrysoncity@yahoo.com

Thank You to Our Donors from All of Us at PAWS !!!

Mary Fox
 Terry Palmatier
 Dawna Paul
 Mary Beck
 BonnieSue Luster
 Chet Milkey
 Regina Swimmer
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 Scott Jenkins
 Carol Smith
 Diana Kirk
 Beverly Grant
 Chris Bumgarner
 Andrea Chester
 Lorrie Schexsnayder
 Tammy Matthews
 Melinda Hunt
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 Carla Murdock
 Steven Welch
 Krystal Howell
 Jeffrey McNabb
 Myria Ashdown
 Nancy Van Bergen
 Rustlina Long
 Cheryl Franks
 William Douthit
 Michael Donovan
 Christopher Reed
 Paula Burney
 Jessica Henegar
 Dana Hatfield
 Iva Austin
 Jessica Robertson
 Nathaniel Lowe
 JoEllen & Charles Cline

In Memory our good friend

Marie Raposo

Carol Kievit

Anne & John King

Anne Parker

Bill Hayes

Georgia Dupree

Harriet Pearce &

Claudia Lupo

Bryson City Vet Clinic

Shearer Pet Health

Hospital

Mary Fox

The Smith Family

Ken McLemore

Scott & Dudley Price

Clifford & Joanie

Horning

Pamela Leon

Hart Felder

Suzanne Williamson

Patricia Johnson

Ann Fox

Dean White

Turkey Creek Campers

Phillip Holland

The Fryemont Inn

Ellen Hartsfield

Renee Mulligan &

BE FREE Thursday nite

yoga students

Lucian & Ramona Hill

In Memory of beloved

Peggy Sue

Who ruled our home and hearts. We miss you every second of every day.

Anne & John King

John Leckner

Amanda Smithie

Marshall Terry

Aaron Maurer

Kathleen Lookabill

Amanda Couch

Sara Trampler

Cheri Beck

Aaralyn Ely

Jane Allison

Bill Hayes

Eugene Demonet

Cornwell Tool Truck

Marie Fulton

Elaine Shoaf

Donna Kellner

Ed Ford

Bonnie Christie

Paula Rauth

Avery Griffin

Hester Sitton

Allyson Gernandt

Burce & Eileen Holzhauser

Ann Thompson

Dean White

Bank of America

Ryan & Amber Griffin

Jane Finneran

Anne & John King

Ronald Spates

Jude Julius

Steven Hightower

Daphne Piester

Pat Colville

Deborah Hargrave

Florence Paul

Mary Jo Brooks Maness

In Memory of beloved

Sácee Kemp

Anne & John King



LITE A STAR



In Memory Of: **Hooch Ely**

In loving memory of **Peg**, John & Anne King's beloved kitty child. What an attitude that girl had! She was such a blessing to them... Lucian & Ramona Hill

In Memory Of: **Peggy Sue** -Ramelle Smith

In Memory Of: **Carl Myers** -Elaine Shoaf

In Memory Of: **Peggy Sue**, precious kitty of Anne & John King-Elaine Shoaf

In Memory of **Sam, Ruby, Little Jon and Action**. All with stories to tell—Jill and Emory Hopper

In Memory Of: **Eastwood** - Ronald Spates

In Memory Of: **Hawk Deas, Purr Neumann, Toby Meyers, Duke Van Winkle, Sadie Demonet, Molly Watson, Mommy Kitty Strickland, Taffy Dillon, Toby Dillon, Kiki Dillon, Ranger McLeod, Molly Patton, Anna Belle Drennan, Boxer Pittman, Stray Sawyer, Buster Parris** - Mike Smith & Bryson City Vet Clinic

In Honor of **Joanna Foster & Wayne Dickert**, and In Memory Of **Bubba** - Anonymous

In Memory of Kessa's Nana **Patsy Joye** - Elaine Shoaf



LITE A STAR



In Memory Of: **Ruffus**—Peggy

In Memory of our dogs, **Lucky and Taylor**—Mary Jo and Mike Maness

In Memory Of: **Floyd**—Phil Holland

In Memory Of: **Tom, Lindyloo, Nick,**

GiGi, Penny, Bildad & Crissy—Mildred and Dolly Whitmire

In Honor Of: **Win Hill**, dog's best friend—Katie

In Memory Of: **Boris, Mom Cat, Barney, Elmo & Culley**—Don & Ellen Hartsfield

In Memory Of: **Spice Girl, Duchess, and Max**—Sue Prothero

In Memory Of: **Dewars** - You don't have enough stars! - Jane

In Memory Of: **Percy** - Shelter star dog—Jane

In Memory Of: **Sonny**—Star cat (even if he was "a cat") - Jane

In Honor Of: **Joan Glunk**—Gail Moore

In Honor Of: **Diane L. Goshorn**

In loving Memory Of: **Mom, Jane**—and **Frenchie**, the sweetest cat we ever had—Pat & Ken Jones

In Memory Of: **Cowan Wikle** who loved all animals and adopted his share—Sandi Wikle Howell



LITE A STAR



In Honor Of: **Lisa Alvarez**-
Sharyn Alvarez

In Memory Of: Our incredible labs: **Buffy & Christie** and grandpup **Jack**—Robert & DeeDee Triplett

In Honor Of: **Sheila**—Nancy & Billy Bunn

In Memory Of: **Tuff, Cletus, Duffy, Henry, Emily, BeeGee, Sonny and Sammy**—Elaine Shoaf

In Honor Of: **Amy & Evie, Ellen, Kessa & Allen**—Elaine Shoaf

In Honor Of: **YAK and Bill**—Scott & Dudley Price

In Honor Of: **Mr. & Mrs. Brad Walker, Mr. & Mrs. T. L. Jones**

In Memory Of: **Sam Bullock-Schulz**—Joan Parks

In Memory Of: **Sonny**—Joan Parks

In Memory Of: P.A.W.S. cats **Macavity and Bustopher Jones** and

In Honor Of: Humane Society of Wilkes cat **Merlin**—Patricia Johnson

In Memory Of: **Sonny**—Rose Brostic

In Memory Of: **Joann & Sássee Kemp**—Betsy Fuller

In Memory Of: **Lexie Fuller** precious little doxie and beloved pet of my son's family—Robert, Morgan, Ellie and Bo Fuller

In Honor of Our Grandcats: **Pantufilas, Possum and Foster** and our Granddog **Lucy**—Mike & Jackie Walker



LITE A STAR



In Memory Of: **Mr. Cyg**, our beloved feline for 19 years. We miss him terribly—his chatter, beautiful blue eyes and sweet disposition—Carl and Sharon

In Memory Of: **Sam**—Margaret Yount

In Memory Of: **Sonny** the "Love Sponge" - Anne Parker

In Memory Of: **Sonny**-the real star of P.A.W.S. -Carolyn & Lee Allison

In Honor Of: **Tsali Dog, Catfish, Hush Puppy** the lights of our lives—Carolyn & Lee Allison

In Memory Of: Our beloved **Bentley** who will forever be in our hearts—Belinda & Richard Mumm

In Memory Of: **Ada Mae Harrell, Pepper Adeline Harrell & Phreska Harrell**—Dave & Robin Harrell (mommy & daddy)

In Memory and Honor Of : **All the animals that have given us such joy**—Anne & John King

In Memory Of: **Jersey and Zoe**, wonderful dogs of Teresa McMillan and Stacie Mooney—Grandma & Grandpa Mac

In Honor Of: **Ramelle, Mike, Huey and Cleo**, P.A.W.S. devotees all—Mike and Denise McMillan

In Memory of
Sammy Schulz-Bullock
Anne & John King



LITE A STAR



In Memory Of: All our past 4-legged family, **Jiggy, Darbe, Cale, Solo & Luke**; and In Honor Of: Our present family, **Puss, Kadee, Annie, Charlie, George & Fred**.....Memories of my special buddy **Gandalf**—he came into my heart and left way too soon. He's the brightest star in my sky and I know he looks over all our brood everyday. I really miss you buddy!

Thanks to **Dr. Mike & all our vet family** for your care for all. Especially for your care for **Gandalf**—he always loved Dr. Mike for making him "handsome" even with short ears! And to wonderful friends, **Anne King, Ellen Kilgannon & Dr. Mike & staff** for all their support helping me deal with grief. Thank you so much—love to you all! - Donna Rector

In Honor Of: **Marvine Cole**

In Memory Of: **Elsie, CeCe, 2 cats** and In Honor Of: **All P.A.W.S. volunteers** past and present—Ellen Kilgannon

In Memory Of: **Elsie** - Elaine Shoaf

In Memory Of: **CeCe** a special girl We love and miss her - Elaine Shoaf

In Memory Of: Ethel Osborne's "**Liza**" - Leisha Lee

May The Sun Always Shine For You.

From Jo & Joe

Thanks to all of you who voted, and help spread the word, for P.A.W.S. Animal Shelter of Bryson City, NC in The Animal Rescue Site Shelter Challenge. If you haven't heard yet, P.A.W.S. did win the state award. That's right "the little shelter that could" did it with your help. We finished **2nd in NC** (that's all we needed since the 1st place shelter had already won a weekly award so was ineligible for the state award!) and **80th overall**. This is an amazing accomplishment considering the size of our shelter and county. We will be receiving a check for \$1000, much needed cash to help the stray dogs and cats of Swain Co.

We are so grateful to all the P.A.W.S. supporters, thank you from the bottom of our paws for helping us achieve this stupendous goal. It takes a Village to make things happen and I am so glad that we are part of the Village of P.A.W.S.!

Ramelle Smith
P.A.W.S. Chairwoman



POGO

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff and all of the animals whose lives were touched through her caring, generosity and dedication to our mission.....

It is with deep sorrow we honor the passing of long time friend and generous supporters in the P.A.W.S. community

Marie Raposo

"P.A.W.S. has lost a good friend. We remember her kindness to the animals and the organization during its early years." Anne King

UPDATE UPDATE UPDATE UPDATE UPDATE

Wait, there's more! P.A.W.S. has gone on to the second round of the Animal Rescue Site Shelter Challenge. This time we can \$2,000 if we can stay in 2nd place!. Just go to www.theanimalrescuesite.com and vote for PAWS Animal Shelter *everyday* through June 19th. We can do it again!!!!



Photo: Pat Thomas

Hi! My name is Pearl. Do you have room in your heart for a mature gal like me? I am 100% Boston Terrier, about 10 years old and LOVE riding in the car. If you do, call P.A.W.S. then come and get me!



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\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

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TRAP/NEUTER/RETURN

OR

QUICK AND EASY WAYS TO MAKE PEACE WITH CATS LIVING IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Stray and feral cats are found in every community. They are part of the neighborhood. Feral cats are not socialized to humans and avoid close contact with everyone. They live where they can find food and shelter. Unfortunately, they also reproduce as many as 3 litters of kittens each year. Some solutions coupled with Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR)* and ongoing management can help you coexist with the neighborhood cats. The most important step is to stop the reproducing. P.A.W.S. has a small TNR program and we will assist you in getting your feral population humanely under control. From there we can advise you on how to manage the colony so both you and they can co-exist without aggravation. If you are looking for help with feral cats in your neighborhood, contact P.A.W.S. and let us know you are interested in the TNR program. P.A.W.S. is also looking for people who are interested in helping with this program by learning how to trap and care for feral cats during the process. As a volunteer for the TNR program, you will be able to advise and direct those in our community needing help with feral cat issues.

*TNR is the *Trapping* of a wild (feral) cat in a humane trap, getting the feral cat to the vet to be *Neutered* and *Returning* it to the outdoors.

SHELTER VOLUNTEERS

Elaine Shoaf	Autumn Demonet
Jane Finneran	Molly Shaw
Mike Hightower	Sharon Martin
Rose Brostic	Cami Willingham
The Smith Family	Carissa, Sandi &
Mike & Mary Jo Maness	Jerry Howell
Cathy Miller	Dean White



I am a sweet, affectionate orange tabby. I was living on my own and getting beat up all the time by this nasty raccoon. Finally I found my way to P.A.W.S. They fixed me up and now I'm good as new (well almost). Ask for Chip!

"BEHIND THE SCENES" VOLUNTEERS

Ron Williams	Larry Becker
Bill Hayes	Mike Willingham
Mike Hightower	Ken Jones
Ron Jachim	Jane Allison
Elaine Shoaf	Joanna Foster
Ramelle Smith	Georgia Dupree
Kathy Allison	Beth Cline
Pat Thomas	Chandra Spaulding
	Claire Knowles
	Susie Campbell

FEEL GOOD TRUE STORY

This last Saturday Susie and I were very busy in the afternoon. People in and out, steady all day. I kept finding empty hangers in the ladies clothes room and was getting a little frustrated thinking about the things that walked out the door (stolen). Then 2 things happened, a 92 year old lady left her bank envelope full of money on the counter, about an hour later she came back and we were so happy to return it to her! Then a young couple came in and handed us a one hundred dollar bill that he found in one of the boxes on the porch! And I was reminded that "NOT EVERYONE IS AN EMPTY HANGER" KARMA GOTTA LOVE IT! Cindy Arnott

PAWS BOARD of DIRECTORS

Joanna Foster	Ramelle Smith
Kathy Allison	Joan Parks
Pat Thomas	Georgia Dupree
Beth Cline	Cindy Arnott

Board meetings open to the public. Call 488-0418 for next scheduled meeting.

Thrift Store News



Pat Jones, P.A.W.S. Thrift Store Manager is looking for a few good volunteers. If you love what P.A.W.S. does, like working with enthusiastic, fun and dedicated people then YOU are who we are looking for. Stop in and talk to Pat or call her at 828-333-4267

UP COMING PAWS/BRYSON CITY EVENTS

May 28 HERITAGE FEST in downtown Bryson City

July 2 PAWSITIVELY FUN KIDS DAY at Riverfront Park 10am-2pm

July 4 FREEDOM FEST & STRUTTY MUTT PET CONTEST

Sept 3 P.A.W.S 8TH ANNUAL WINE TASTING & SILENT AUCTION

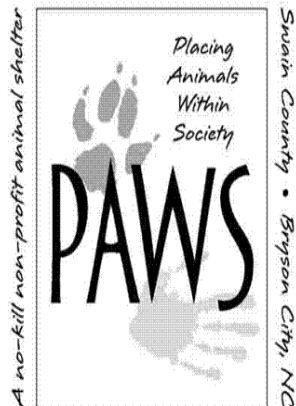
STORE VOLUNTEERS

Pat Jones	Georgia Dupree
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Ramelle Smith	Marvine Cole
Cindi Arnott	Susie Shea
Joan Parks	Suzan Joslin
Shelley Smith	Elaine Shoaf
Steve Clobridge	Noreen Marton
Diane Wolfe	Patrice Price
Susie Campbell	

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