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Pet Adoption & Welfare Society of Carteret

Fall 2010

PAWS Bark Park

A Special Social Canine Community for You & Your Best Friend

The opening of the PAWS Bark Park will be announced during 2010. The Park is approximately one acre and located adjacent to the PAWS Pet Adoption Center at 5042 Mattie Street in Morehead City.

West Carteret High Schools' Shop Class with teacher Dan Varner made the PAWS Bark Park "Gatehouse" their project and brought it nearly to completion prior to school's end.

Features include: six foot fencing, separate large and small dog areas, shaded seating area, water fountain, public restroom, multiple waste stations, key card entry, secure double gated dog entry, and ample parking.

Some benefits of the park are that it provides a way for dog owners living in apartments, condos, or homes with small yards to let their dogs run off leash in a fenced area. The park also provides a way for elderly and disabled dog owners to exercise their pet. For many the park will provide an opportunity to socialize with other people and their dogs.

Dog parks help make a dog a better pet and neighbor because an exercised and well socialized dog is less likely to bark excessively, destroy property, or become aggressive. Dog parks also help create a greater sense of community by bringing people of all ages and from all walks of life together with a common interest.

As leash laws become more prevalent and more strictly enforced and as human population demands reduce the amount of dog-friendly spaces, owners are turning to dog parks as alternatives to exercise and socialize their canine companions. Dogs are free to run, play socialize, explore, and just be dogs.

Bark Park Club members will be on their honor to keep a clean, disease free park for our canine companions and fellow members to enjoy. Proper waste disposal is the single most important item to ensure the success of the PAWS Bark Park.

The annual Bark Park Club membership will be seventy-five dollars for the first family dog and five dollars for each additional family dog. A visiting dog package will also be available.

Owners will be asked to provide a PAWS Bark Park Club Health report for each dog. Vaccinations required are: Rabies, DHPP, & Bordetella. A negative stool sample (parasites) is also required on the health report. The report must be completed by a licensed veterinarian for each dog prior to admission.

The PAWS Bark Park is a happy place where dogs (*under voice command*) can run and play off-leash. The park is operated by Bark Park Club members, PAWS members, and PAWS volunteers.



President's Letter



Kent Neal, President

It has been an eventful year for PAWS. Just about a year ago we finished Phase I of the PAWS Adoption & Education Center, and very soon we will be opening the PAWS Bark Park. For those who have not had a chance to visit the Adoption Center recently, you will now find a nicely fenced park with a beautiful and functional gatehouse. Much of the labor for the gatehouse was provided by the West Carteret High School Shop Class.

Our next challenge is to fund our long term goal of building Phase II (no-kill shelter) and completing The Adoption Center. In the meantime we will continue our rescue and adoption programs. Since we currently rely on fosters for these programs, we are limited in the number animals we can help. That is why it is important to keep focused on our long term goal. To meet this challenge, we will utilize a grant writer to locate and apply for money that may be available from a variety of sources, as well as continue our other fundraising activities.

With our economy in its present condition, raising the money necessary to complete this project will not be easy. When we are able to raise the \$1.5 million needed to build the shelter, we estimate that we will also need about \$150,000 yearly to operate it. We currently do not generate this much revenue, but have received some encouraging offers of future help from other sources. While these are daunting tasks going forward, I believe that, with the support of our membership and the community, we can and will succeed.



Owners Chef Floyd & Shana Olmstead

PAWS Chocolate Festival Sunday Brunch

Sunday, February 7, many folks gathered at our favorite restaurant, Floyds 1921. PAWS & Floyds host an annual Sunday Brunch benefit and is very well attended. As in years past the food and service was simply delightful. Of course the company just can't be beat! Everyone's favorite? Why Chef Floyd's award winning Chocolate Bread Pudding with Whiskey Sauce of course!

Another thank you to everyone who supports this delicious event!



PAWS Supporters Dee Jaye & Charles



Kent & Donna



Pet Adopters' Judy Soller & Husband



Chocolate Bread Pudding & Whiskey Sauce



Watson & Bob



Jean & Daughter



Mary, Cynthia & Friends

On Saturday, March 13th, cats of all sizes, colors, and breeds began filling the PAWS Pet Adoption Center. It was time once again for the free Feline Leukemia/FIV/Heartworm testing clinic. The clinic is sponsored annually by PAWS, Marley Fund of Greenville, and Iddex Laboratories.

Dr. Roxanne Taylor volunteered her time and together over 30 cats were tested. Some cats were household pets, others were brought in by area rescue organizations.

Story & Photos Contributed by: Donna Youraine



Are You My Foster Mom?

Dogs and cats, who may otherwise be destroyed at an overcrowded shelter, are temporarily placed with you, their Foster Family, until a Forever Family is found.

We only ask that you give your foster pet food, shelter, and love. Medical expenses and all pet supplies/food are provided by PAWS. The lives you save, and the love you get will warm your heart. If you have children the lessons they learn from Fostering will enrich their lives!

There are different ways to participate in the PAWS Foster program. Sometimes a cat or dog can be with us for a month or two, maybe longer, and an open-ended commitment is required. We also need short-term emergency fosters who can take in animals for a short time while longer-term care is arranged.



Gracie is a 7 year old Lab/Golden looking for a home. She is very sweet, loving and playful!



Allison & Godiva, Foster Kitties

All of our pets receive a health check, vaccinations, FeLV/FIV test, de-worming, and spay/neuter (age appropriate) before going to their Foster Home.

Please Give Fostering A Try!

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PAWS Pet House Challenge 2010



**1st Place
East Carteret High School**

The deadline for all "pet" houses to be delivered to the Crystal Coat Civic Center by local high schools competing in the PAWS Pet House Challenge 2010 was March 5th. We could hardly believe our own eyes when the fabulous creations began pulling in. It was a sight to behold as dog houses of all shapes and sizes began adorning the front walkway.

Voting was by casting a single dollar into the box for your favorite. When it was all said and done East Carteret took top dog honors, West Carteret second place, and Croatan third. Prizes were awarded and prize sponsors included Lowes Home Improvement and Williams Hardware.

It is reported to us that this is a favorite fund raiser for all of the schools. The kids really get into the spirit of this competition with proceeds all going to a terrific cause. A lot of these designs are custom and not already drawn so it's quite impressive to see the final product. Perhaps we have several up and coming architects. A few wouldn't let the media see them until the day of the event. Very secretive indeed!

PAWS President Kent Neal chaired this wonderful event.



**2nd Place
West Carteret High School**



**3rd Place
Croatan High School**



Thank you again to:

Crystal Coast Civic Center & CCNT Coastal Home & Garden Show

Lowes Home Improvement & Williams Hardware Prize Sponsors

The Neal Foundation Building Materials

PAWS Volunteers

Please Adopt a PAWS Pet Most Are Waiting In Foster Homes...



Sally



Love



Gracie



Georgla



Allison



Godiva



Buttercup



Puff



Frank



Jesse



Tom



Jerry



Zoe

Call To Adopt Our Pets!

252.808.1PAW (1729)

email: (cats/other)adopt@pawsofcarteret.org & (dogs) adoptdog@pawsofcarteret.org

We're On The Web!

www.pawsofcarteret.org & www.petfinder.com & www.adoptapet.com

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PAWS Salutes West Carteret High School Junior ROTC

Captain Dave Arnold and his junior ROTC class step up frequently to help out at the PAWS Thrift Store and also at the PAWS Pet Adoption Center. These are a group of focused and dedicated students already displaying very promising futures. We hope to see them back in the community one day as successful adults possibly even taking over here at PAWS!



Wheels made possible for Britanee by the Dr. Kirk Budd Memorial Grant Fund.

PetSmart Charities Second Chance for Love National Adoption Weekends

Please Be A Part Of Our Dedicated & Caring Group Of Volunteers and Help Us Help the Animals of Carteret County.

Many times through out the year you will find PAWS Volunteers set up at PetSmart in Morehead City. PetSmart sponsors adoption weekends giving local rescue groups a great opportunity to showcase less fortunate animals that need forever homes.

Even if you can not adopt,

please stop by and visit. Perhaps you could consider becoming a PAWS Foster or Volunteer. If not, perhaps a donation that would help spay or neuter a rescued animal. There are so many ways to help. Please let us tell you all about what we do and the volunteer opportunities available now.



Top R: PAWS Foster Fran Corey & Buttercup at PetSmart

Bottom R: Linda Maurer & Mary Metzler with Love at PetSmart.



Left: PAWS Volunteer Fran Corey pre-registers a woman and her pets for the Companion (pet-friendly) Hurricane Shelter located at the Newport Middle School.



Wags & Purrs To "The Talk Station WTKF 107.1"

You may have heard PAWS giving reports of pets available for adoption on our favorite local radio station WTKF 107.1 . **Saturday mornings during "The Swap Shop".** Radio celebrity *Big John* features PAWS Pets during his very popular show.

As a direct result PAWS has received many calls from interested folks that might not have contacted us otherwise! What a **great way to help the critters and community WTKF.** No four paws about it WTKF gets a giant "Atta-Boy & Wags & Purrs" from all of us at PAWS and the animals for sure. Contact WTKF at www.thetalkstation.com .

Thrift Store Happenings

PAWS Thrift Store
1211 Bridges Street
Morehead City, NC 28557
252-247-3341



The Thrift Store located at 1211 Bridges Street, Morehead City, NC is our largest fundraiser. Thanks to our hard working volunteers the store provides funding for the organization's daily operations.

You'll find that there is always something of interest going on, whether it's a shopper who brings along a pet, (surely to be a hit with the shoppers and volunteers), or the unusual assortment of slightly used donations that are guaranteed to change from day-to-day. To share in the savings and find that treasure you've been searching for, come visit us soon.

We are open six days a week, Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Donations of your lovingly cared for used items, especially furniture and household donations, are accepted Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.

Needless to say, new volunteers are always needed and welcome. If interested, please come by the store and apply. You may also apply via our online volunteer application or call 252-247-3341 with any questions you might have.

We thank you greatly for all your support!

Mary Cameron
Thrift Store Manager

A Legacy—Your Footprint

Please consider leaving something in your will and estate plans for the continued care of your own pets and also to PAWS. This is a simple procedure and can make an incredible difference.

Suggested Bequest Language To PAWS

I give the sum of \$_____ to Pet Adoption and Welfare Society of Carteret, a nonprofit incorporated in the state of North Carolina, and located in Morehead City, for the general purpose to help rescued, abandoned, and homeless pets.

Federal Tax ID: 58-1596758



V.I.P. Numbers

Morehead City Animal Control
726.3131

Carteret County Animal Control
728.8585

Morehead City Police Dept
726.5361

Emergency Pet Services
444.1399

ASPCA Poison Control
888.426.4435

Your Vet Number Here:

Please Report Suspected Abuse & Neglect

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Nearing 500 Rescued & Adopted Pets!



All of these cases have touched our hearts over the years. It takes hard work, dedication, patience, tears, and a lot of volunteer hours to get to where we are today and where we're going tomorrow!

It's really wonderful looking back through our records of animals rescued and placed in loving homes. We often remember the pet's name more readily than the owner and often recognize them out and about in the community! We began our journey using PetFinder in late 2002 with our first adoptions in 2003. Can you remember Dana and Desiree the dogs? How about our favorite pair of Thrift Store felines Kona & Coki?

All of the critters rescued and adopted into homes by PAWS have been vetted, vaccinated, spayed and neutered. Saving close to five hundred animals from a shelter or some other unknown fate is quite remarkable and **we're very proud. It's reported that one female cat that has a litter of six together can ultimately produce 420,000 cats in only seven years! Only one in twelve of those 420,000 will find it's way into a home.**

Not all of the animals PAWS rescues or places for adoption have been dogs and cats. We have placed horses, goats, ferrets, chinchillas, birds, bunnies, and a few guinea pigs! None of this could be possible without the PAWS Foster homes. Until such time that we have our own facility to house animals, and probably even after we do Foster homes will be vital to our being. Ask any of our past or present Foster families and they will tell you how rewarding this can be!

Please contact PAWS to foster, adopt, or volunteer by calling 252.808.1729.



Desiree w/ family



Kona

Hurricane (Earl) Shelter Report

Newport Middle School serves as Carteret County's only "Companion" (pet friendly) Hurricane/Disaster Shelter. As hurricane Earl decided what to do PAWS Volunteers, CCEMS, and Red Cross were busy setting up the shelter. The Red Cross reported over eighty people used the shelter during Earl. They brought with them five dogs and one cat!

PAWS volunteers work all year at events (prior to and during hurricane season) asking folks to pre-register their pets for the shelter in case they need to use it. This gives us a general idea of what kind of numbers we might expect along with types of animals that might come. CCEMS reports approximately three hundred and fifty people & pets pre-registered. As we learned from hurricane Katrina, most people will not leave pets behind which creates danger and concern for the safety of not only the pets but especially the owners. To pre-register you and your pets visit www.pawsofcarteret.org and see the information under the related tab.

Thanks again to Jimmy Machipness, Shawn Cherry, Nancy Richardson, Cindy Weeks, Carol Laflin, Kent Neal, Donna Youraine and Cynthia Thompson!



90lb. Toby getting ready to spend the night at the hurricane shelter!



Zader's people were Red Cross Volunteers at this shelter!



Morris the cat couldn't be bothered with the storm preps and settled in quickly for a nap!



Jimmy Machipness of CCEMS, Randy Allen of The Red Cross, and Shawn Cherry of PAWS prepare another kennel for use.

Elks & PAWS 1st Annual Poker Run



On Saturday, June 5th, The Morehead City-Beaufort Elks Lodge 1710 and PAWS teamed up for a charity ride, flea market, and bake sale. The weather was hot and so were the motorcycles! Thanks again to all of the sponsors, participants, organizers of this terrific event and we're already looking forward to next year!



PAWS Financial Report is on file at our Business offices.
5042 Mattie St.
Morehead City, NC 28557

PAWS Participating Veterinarians

Bridges Professional Park Animal Hospital	214 Commerce Avenue, Morehead City, NC 28557	247-5595
Banfield (inside PetSmart)	5160 Hwy 70 W Morehead City, NC 28557	247-0060
Brigadoon Animal Hospital	1074 Cedar Point Blvd. Cedar Point, NC	393-6581
Bounds Vet. Service	220 Bluff Rd, Cedar Point Blvd. Cedar Point, NC	393-1897
Coastal Pet Clinic	622 Main St Bayboro, NC 28515	252-745-5161
Havelock Animal Hospital	415 Miller Blvd Havelock, NC 28532	447-7119
Mitchell Village Animal Hosp	5015 Executive Dr. Morehead City, NC 28557	726-4033

PAWS extends a special thank you to these Veterinarians and their staff as we all team together to help less fortunate animals in our area.

Over 200 Dogs At 2009 Event!



PAWS
OktoberPets
Pet Expo
2010
Sunday
October 31st
11 A.M. - 4 P.M.
Crystal Coast Civic Center

Games!
Prizes!

Food!
FUN!

\$1
per person
per pet
family rates too!

2010 "Top Dog" Sponsor
REALTY WORLD
First Coast Realty

Proceeds go towards
PAWS Pet Adoption Center
Phase II
(No Kill Shelter)

Healthy, well behaved, leashed pets with owners are welcome!

Classic Car Cruise-In Outside with 50/50 Drawing!

Blessing of the Pets! Celebrity Hosts!

Start practicing those special tricks now to take home your prize ribbons during the 2010 OktoberPets Pet Expo. This year's event will be October 31st at the Crystal Coast Civic Center from 11 am until 4 pm. Contests, prizes, demonstrations, vendors, food, celebrity hosts, drawings, and our classic car show will prove to be tons of fun for you and your pet! The Bear 97.3 FM will be on hand again this year so plan to come and spend the entire day with PAWS! Healthy, well behaved pets with owners welcome!



AKC Good Citizenship Certification



Microchip Clinic \$35

Call: 646-3850

email: info@pawsofcarteret.org

Costume Contest!



Come as you are in your classic car!

Halloween Cruise In For PAWS



Sunday 10/31/10

Time: 11 A.M. - 3 P.M.

Crystal Coast Civic Center



Please help PAWS build the Pet Adoption Center Phase II

which includes an alternative (no-kill) shelter, during the

2010 Fund Raising Event "OktoberPets".

Cruise into the Crystal Coast Civic Center and share the spotlight with other

street rods, muscle cars, antique cars, motorcycles, & cars of interest,

then come inside for more fun & food! No registration, non-show event, just an

old fashioned day of showing up, showing off and talking about your

best friends (cars & pets)!

Car Clubs Welcome! Costumes Welcome! Pets Welcome!

PAWS of Carteret

During OktoberPets/Pet Expo

252-247-6234

knsalt@cc.rr.com



Pets For Vets

Join PAWS as we show support and respect to our veterans during the 2010 Veterans Day Parade on Saturday November 6th.

In years past PAWS has lined up between 16th-17th & Shepard Street behind the park in Morehead City. Plan to be there around 10:30 AM, the parade begins at 11 AM. You may choose to either walk the parade route or ride the PAWS Float with your dog. The first ten dogs will receive an American Flag bandana!

For more information and parade details please contact Kent Neal at 247-5234 or email info@pawsofcarteret.org.



PAWS "Pave The Way" Project



What better way to honor or memorialize your special pet than an engraved brick? There is no limit to the number of bricks you may purchase.

Your bricks will be permanently located in the safe and lovely front walkway of the PAWS Pet Adoption Center for you to visit whenever you wish.

Please help "Pave The Way" for Phase II of the PAWS Pet Adoption Center to become a reality for the many pets that have no place to be safe until their forever family can find them. Foster homes are not always available. The new facility will house up to sixty animals in kennels and free roaming rooms providing a safe and loving environment as they await their forever homes.

Proceeds from this PAWS fundraiser will go directly towards completing Phase II of the Pet Adoption Center which will house less fortunate animals.

Bricks make wonderful and caring gifts for absolutely any occasion or situation and are available at \$75 each. Gift acknowledgments may be arranged.

Contact: Donna 252.726.7925 or see them online at pawsofcarteret.org.

Quick Facts

- Since the last newsletter 64 pets have been placed into wonderful and loving homes. Another 13 are currently in Foster homes waiting patiently.
- Over \$7,000 in grants have been extended during 2010 from the Dr. Kirk Budd Memorial Grant Fund. Cases are submitted by participating area veterinarians for emergency procedures with a good to excellent prognosis. Since our last newsletter 4 sets of doggie wheels have been made possible to help get those pooches mobile again!
- A total of 50 *in memory* or *in honor of* bricks have been sold and are being placed in the front walkway of the PAWS Pet Adoption and Education Center. This is a wonderful fund raiser for PAWS bringing in \$3750 so far.



**Coming in February...
PAWS Sunday Brunch!**



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PAWS Needs You...

Are you a PAWS member? Then you are a V.I.P. to the animals! It's time to renew your membership for 2010! Your annual membership is available for \$10. Your pet memberships are available for \$5 each. Want the very best deal going? Lifetime Memberships are only \$250! These come with a beautiful certificate suitable for framing and make terrific gifts, hint, hint! We need new members now so please ask friends and neighbors to join PAWS.

Memberships help PAWS show grantors that we are a very serious group of concerned citizens and are also key to our very being. Do PAWS memberships help? You bet "their" lives they do!

Please Contact Cynthia at 252.726.7221 or email info@pawsofcarteret.org.

