



# PAW Shakes

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## CFC—A vital source of PAW funding

Each year, PAW participates in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), in which Federal agencies encourage their employees to support their community by donating money to non-profits. Each agency holds so-called “Kick-off” events between September 1 and December 1. A number of non-profits are invited to attend these meet ‘n greet events, which are held at the many buildings belonging to each agency. They provide an opportunity for the non-profits to tell their stories and help government employees to narrow their choices and decide to whom they wish to donate. Of course, there are only a small number of spaces at these events, and there are more than 4,000 non-profits in the DC metro area. With so many non-profits vying for so few spaces, that makes for very strong competition.

Sometimes, a particular agency will request specific types of charities – for instance, animal-related charities – and that can narrow the field a bit, but even so, there is a major scramble to get a place. The e-mails go out to the CFC-registered organizations, usually only a few days ahead of the event, and the first non-profits to respond get the available spaces!

These payroll campaigns, which are run by CFC, United Way, and Maryland Charities, allow small non-profits like PAW to reach thousands of potential donors. And the impact they have is substantial. The funds we receive from these activities account for 35% of our budget!

Luckily, employees are allowed to put in special requests for the charity of their choice. PAW has a number of volunteers who work for Federal agencies and they have been able to get us a number of invitations to their workplaces. A HUGE thank you to all of you!

During the 2014 campaign season, PAW attended more than 14 events, so it was a busy time for the volunteers who engage in this activity. Twyla Henderson leads the charge each



*Twyla Henderson at the PAW booth at a CFC event.*

year, aided by Lisande Bissonette, Martha Oppenheim, Liz Symonds, and others.

The events themselves can be great fun. Armed with a very eye-catching table booth, created by Raleigh Jaffe, and with PAW leaflets, business cards, PAW recipe cards (yes, really!), keychains, and other giveaways, our volunteers talk to hundreds of Federal employees, particularly the animal lovers among them, about our work.

Wondering how you can help this year? If you are a Federal employee, please do seek invitations for PAW to come to your workplace kick-off event. And of course, anyone can come and help out at the events, manning our booth or giving a short talk. Please remember PAW when making your own payroll donation.

CFC is so important to PAW’s fundraising efforts. Let’s make the 2015 season the best one yet!

# Beau—a poster child for fostering!

PAW often puts out calls to its volunteers to foster particular dogs, but many people don't realize what a truly vital part fostering can play in rehabilitating certain dogs. It was a life changer for a dog called Beau, who had literally run out of options.



*Beau (right) with Koda*

In July 2014, a 6-year-old, 60 lb Black Lab mix called Beau, was posing a dilemma for Suzanne Mattingly, PAW's Dog Medical Coordinator. He had already been asked to leave one kennel facility due to bad behavior and was now being asked to leave a second one! Beau had nowhere else to go and things were looking grim.

Luckily, new PAW volunteer Erin Lamich and her family offered to foster him. Things got off to a rocky start, with Beau reacting to the Lamich's cats in a dramatic fashion, but after that things settled down. Lois Lammich commented, "What was most amazing

ous to me now how valuable fostering is to homeless pets."

By August, however, Erin was preparing to go to college, so it was time for a new foster home to be found. Suzanne again rallied to the task and Jennifer Driscoll volunteered to foster Beau. Happily, she then decided to adopt him. Jennifer said, "Beau came to us with some issues and we needed to be patient with him. He was affectionate from the start but still anxious. Being shuffled from place to place is very stressful for a dog. We hired a trainer, which made a big difference. She helped us to trust him and, more importantly, helped him to trust us. It has been 7 months now and we can't imagine our home without him."

Erin Lamich, who started the process of getting Beau ready for his forever home, ends our story: "Fostering Beau was an amazing experience and hearing about his adoption was the most rewarding part. There were many doubts at the beginning; some people feared he would never find his perfect family. But we never gave up and neither did he – knowing he had found the right home made any ups and downs along the way so incredibly *worth it.*"

about fostering Beau was the change in his personality just from being in our home. When he arrived, he was very highly strung and anxious. I think much of his 'bad' behavior was related to being kenneled for so long. After a few weeks with us he relaxed. He was a good dog who needed a stable environment to become a great dog. It's obvi-



## Happy Endings

One of our favorite parts of being a PAW volunteer is helping the animals find their forever homes. We love hearing happy stories from adopters and wanted to share some here.

### Makena and Lea

*By Megan Krause*

In the spring of 2012, we decided the time was right to get our first pet. After some convincing, my husband

finally agreed to a kitten. After looking at a number of local shelters and rescue sites, I came across a picture of Dusty on the PAW website and just knew that she was the one.

That weekend, we were the first

ones to arrive at the adoption show at the Laurel PetSmart. We spent time playing with Dusty, and watching her explore. PAW Cat Coordinators Kim Nelson and Lori Simmons talked to us and provided us with many tips and



**Makena**

suggestions on how to successfully make a cat part of our family. One tip was that two cats are better than one! Not long after that my husband was holding Dusty's sister, Emily. She just curled up in his lap and made herself at home, to which he said, "Well, we can't leave her behind"!

A week later, we were excited to welcome Makena (aka Dusty) and her sister Lea (aka Emily) into our family. We would spend hours just watching and playing with them. Their bodies were so tiny, but their ears seemed larger than their heads. They quickly captured our hearts and filled an empty spot in our lives that we didn't even know was there.

Over the past 3 years, Makena and Lea have continued to bring joy into our lives. They each have their own distinct personality. Makena is somewhat shy and takes some time warming up to new people, while Lea is the most outgoing feline I have ever met. When the doorbell rings she goes running to the door as she is certain you are there to see her. Both love to cuddle and, of course, enjoy a good head rub.

We truly hit the jackpot with our girls! They are such an important part of our family that we can't imagine life without them. Thank you PAW!

### **Mia—full of joy**

Mia, a 7-year-old Black Lab mix, and Sydney, a 1-year-old Border Collie, had spent almost their whole lives in their family's backyard. Almost their only human contact was when they



**Lea**

were fed, and when the family's five kids came into the yard to play. When the family split up, the dogs were quickly dumped at the local shelter.

The years of neglect had taken their toll on Mia – a bad ear infection that was never treated left one ear shriveled, and a flea allergy caused her to



**Mia**

scratch so much that she lost large patches of hair. When she arrived at the shelter, the skin on her belly looked like elephant hide.

Volunteers at the shelter started treating Mia's skin problems and also sent pictures of the dogs to PAW Dog Coordinator Sue Silver quickly agreed to take Sydney but when the transporters came to pick her up, Mia, who was sharing the same pen, thought she was going too, and her obvious distress when she was left behind broke everyone's heart – they told Sue who agreed to take Mia too, as soon as there was a space. A few weeks later, Mia was on her way to PAW as well.

In the meantime, Mia's hair had grown back and although nothing could be done about her ear, her affectionate and joyful nature won everyone's heart. Long-time PAW volunteer Randy Epstein and her husband Mitch agreed to foster Mia, and it was not too many more weeks before Cathy Peters and her family had adopted her.

Said Cathy: "We recently lost our dog Ivy (also adopted from PAW) and our remaining dog, Berkley, was lonely

## **Girl Scouts get creative for PAW**

*By Lisa Brungart*

Want to get a job done? Ask Girl Scout Troop 3883! This exceptional group of young ladies, consisting of Brownies and Juniors, continues in their efforts to support PAW. In just one evening they made 25 "Adopt Me" leash sleeves for our beautiful canines to wear at adoption shows. Who wouldn't stop and look when our pups are sporting such wonderful advertisements? These hand-made treasures will surely bring in potential adopters. Thanks again, Girl Scouts, you are paw-sitively amazing!



without her. So we began looking for a new friend for her. We wanted a dog who was good with cats, guinea pigs, and kids. Mia is all of that and more. Even though she is 7 years old she is full of energy. She loves to play chase, tug of war, and fetch with any person or pet willing to engage with her. She even tries dropping tennis balls at the cat's feet in hopes he will play fetch as well – he has yet to respond to her invitations.

Berkley and Mia love playing in the yard together and chasing the deer that appear along the outside of our fence. Mia does a good job of wearing Berkley out! She is extremely smart and quickly mastered the art of ringing the bells at the back door when she wants to go out. She is learning good manners on the leash on her daily walks and we look forward to taking longer walks in the warmer weather. She is never far from our side and enjoys curling up with the other pets in bed at night. Mia is always happy and a great addition to our family.”

## A tale of two Tabbies

By Liani Setyawan

Like many adoption stories, this one began with a heartbreak. About two weeks before Christmas in 2012, my husband Ron and I had to say goodbye to our beloved Sammy, a tuxedo boy whom we adopted with his litter mate, Marco, from PAW in the summer of 2000. We shared an amazing 12 years together and were devastated by his passing.

Even worse was how depressed Marco was. His face was sunken and his fur was unkempt, and, as the months passed by, his health deteriorated. We took him to the vet, who immediately ordered a heart ultrasound. That was how we learned that Marco had a mild heart murmur. He



Marco



Scout



Jem

was also suffering from inflammation in his stomach. The good news was that both conditions could be managed by medication. A couple of months passed by and Marco responded well to his medication. Unusually for a cat, he was a real trooper when it came to taking his pills.

In the early summer of 2013, Ron and I felt that we were ready to give Marco a new sibling. After a strong

campaign by Ron, I agreed to adopt a kitten (rather than an adult cat). The reason was that Marco is very shy and submissive, and Ron was worried that an adult cat might bully him.

One Saturday, we went to a PAW cat adoption show and met not one kitten but two—a girl and boy—named Sugar and Spice. They were two months old and full of life! As soon as we knew our application was successful, we turned our guest bedroom into a temporary nursery for the kittens. PAW Cat Coordinators Kim and Lori brought them to our house and they immediately made the nursery into their new habitat. We changed their names to Scout and Jem, respectively.

As instructed by our vet, we kept the kittens separated from Marco for at least a month, so that Marco could take his time getting to know them. Slowly and from afar, he watched his new siblings roam the house and play together.

Now at 2 years old, Jem and Scout have grown into active and loving tabbies. They still chase and wrestle with each other, even in the middle of the night. Jem loves sleeping next to big brother Marco and Scout is Marco's partner in crime when it comes to begging for treats. At 16 pounds, Jem continues to be the sweetest lap kitty, constantly seeking attention and belly rubs. Scout knows just how to ask her dad to pick her up. They love boxes so our living room is full of shoe boxes. Luckily, both Ron and I are avid runners so we go through a lot of shoes. Jem and Scout will never run out of boxes to play with.

Marco is healthy now and looks like his old self again, handsome and very shy. He doesn't play with his siblings but he definitely enjoys their company. Thank you PAW for our furry children. We may no longer know what an uninterrupted night's sleep is like, but we love them to the moon and back anyway.



Shiloh

## Shiloh: our perfect dog

By Laura Bernard Sanchez

We first saw our sweet boy at a PAW adoption event at PetSmart in Laurel. He was curled up on his foster mom's lap, and was so affectionate and easy going, but also so perky and cute that my 7-year-old son and 9-year-old daughter fell in love right away. They talked about nothing but Shiloh, Shiloh, Shiloh, until the day he came for his home visit. I was as excited as they were – I sent his picture to everyone I knew and began shopping for his accoutrements, just like I did when I was expecting my first child. All three of us were so thrilled to be chosen as his new family.

I am sure all dog mommies say this, but truly, Shiloh is really just the *perfect* dog. He has excellent manners, only barks occasionally, never jumps up on visitors, never begs at the table for food, and is always exceptionally gentle with my children. He walks well on the leash, is friendly towards other dogs but is smart enough to respect and keep his distance from those who are not as eager as he is to play. At 5 years old, he has all the energy of a puppy but none of the recklessness. Nothing pleases him more than a new squeaky toy from which he has not yet torn the squeaker, and he will happily chase it as we throw it again and again until he subsides happily into a corner to softly chew and squeak it.

Never have I seen a more affectionate dog. I often come into our living room to find him sandwiched between my two children on the sofa as they read or play video games, alternately patting him or scratching his belly. I can say that he has absolutely no dignity whatsoever and will drop and roll onto his back for a belly scratching at the slightest provocation. Shameless beggar!

I feel so badly for the family or person that had to give him up. They must have loved him – he is too well-trained and too loving to never have been loved. I feel blessed to have found our little guy, and glad that we can provide him with the attention and care he should have. I am so grateful to Jodi and all the folks at PAW for the work they do to rescue lovely and lovable dogs and cats who, like Shiloh, deserve a second chance at life. I could not ask for a better companion for me and my children.

## My strange adoption story

By Jean Newcomb

Last year, at a friend's urging, I decided to check out the PAW website; I was ready to bring another cat in, but had never actually gone looking for one before. Technology-aided adoption was new to me, as well. At first, Cedar, a part Maine Coon, caught my eye and I sent in an application. However, to my dismay, he was already spoken for. The



Mac

## Twenty Years of Saving Lives!



This year, PAW will celebrate its 20th anniversary. In the mid-1990s, a dedicated group of volunteers helped pioneer a new era of animal rescue. Independent rescues that helped shelters and communities were not yet prevalent, especially for the often overlooked mixed-breed dogs and cats. PAW volunteers incorporated with the mission to help companion pets of all breeds and were among the first groups in the area to establish working relationships with public county shelters.

We were also at the forefront of using the then fledgling "World Wide Web" to further our vision and reach more people about animals in need. Since that time, we have saved the lives of over 4100 dogs, cats, rabbits, and other pets. That is reason to celebrate!

Plans are underway for a celebration on Sunday 11th October. No details yet but we are looking for people to help plan this event. Please contact Lisande Bissonette ([lisande@msn.com](mailto:lisande@msn.com)) for more information.

next time I used the PAW website, having revised my search, I decided to look at two bonded cats.

I headed to the adoption show at a PetSmart store and waited for the PAW volunteers to arrive with the kitties. But, unexpectedly, I ended up being selected by a young cat (who resembled Cedar) from Alley Cat Rescue, who also had a show that day. . . and so I found myself adopting her. Just as I was checking out, Cat Coordinator Lori Simmons arrived, saying she had a cat that looked like my new kitty. Curious, I followed her. . . and it was

Cedar! So there I am, one cat in hand, wondering if I should also think about Cedar again. We let the two out in the dog-training area and they ignored each other, but I decided to give them a chance, thinking that since both would be going to a new house at the same time, at least there would be no territorial issues!

This complicated strategy worked out: a little crazy, but full of good intentions and feline ingenuity. I renamed them for former neighbors in Maine, Connie and Mac, and have found they are practically mirror-

images of each other—same age, same energy level. The screened porch is a favorite place (just after breakfast), as are the windows overlooking bird feeders and a visiting raccoon. Secret cubby holes and comfy chairs are also well used!

Some signs of this successful if unconventional adoption are: sharing the same bowl, licking one another's noses and whiskers, stretching out to touch paws, running and playing together, and following each other around.

Thanks to all the volunteers for this extraordinary experience!



## Donations in Honor of and In Memory of . . .

### In honor of People:

In honor of Al Dyson for Christmas, by Ken & Cathy Dyson  
In honor of all my show set-up descendents, by Jerry Roth  
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