



PAW Shakes

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She Found a Great New Home... After Two Years

by Amy Bleich



In early 1999, I brought one of many fosters into my home. Her name was Polly, and she was a mixed beagle/ foxhound/ whatever else. She was originally a neglect case who came to us via a kindly soul who often seems to attract dogs who would otherwise never have a hope for a good life in a loving home. When she came to PAW, she was found to have a very severe case of allergies—contact, inhalant, food—everything! So I tried my hand with her. She was a very lovable little girl, so she was a welcomed guest in my home with my other dogs. But as time went on, I began to despair of ever finding a home for her.

One year went by, then two. People were just not interested in a dog that required weekly care for her allergies with shots, skin treatments, and special food. In every other way, she was a perfect dog, but with her allergy needs, she was too much of a bother for most

families. She became almost a PAW mascot, and her picture in a basket still serves to help us advertise our basket bingos. Then, in February 2001, Nancy Yusi and Dave Turnbull entered the picture.

As Nancy tells it: "Almost three years ago my husband and I were looking to adopt another furry friend to add to our family. We were looking for a little Beagle and a friend told us about PAW Rescue which we continued to watch. Whenever we saw a dog that we thought would fit into our family they were already adopted. Then one day we came across a picture of Polly in a basket. She had her own story to tell about how she thought no one would adopt her because of her allergies and how she would have to have a lot of medical attention including allergy shots. Well, we just could not resist her and she became a member of our family.

"Much of the last three years has been spent getting her well and progress has been slow but steady. She now gets an allergy shot every week and once in awhile has a setback but is doing really great. She lives with a great family and two other furry friends and has great fun with them. She has a wonderful back yard to run around in and has her own bed in the master bedroom. She is the sweetest dog you could ever want



and has a great life with her brother and sister. People often say how lucky she is to have us as parents, but they don't know how fortunate we

are to have her as a member of our family."

This is what it really is all about at PAW. We make a commitment to the animals that come to us... we will provide for all their needs, both expected and unexpected, for as long as it takes to find them a home...even if it takes years. As Polly's story shows, there *is* a great family out there for every dog and cat...and we just keep trying to find them, one pet at a time.

PHOTOS: TOP LEFT: Polly in foster care, wearing a collar after she had surgery to fix a hematoma caused by her constant allergic scratching; LOWER LEFT: Polly helping PAW promote its Basket Bingo fundraisers (see page 2 for more info on Basket Bingo). RIGHT: Polly in her forever home with her new canine pal.



IT'S BASKET BINGO TIME
MARCH 14th
NEW LOWER TICKET PRICE:
ONLY \$12!

It's time to escape those winter doldrums...

If you've never attended a PAW Basket Bingo before, you will be surprised at how much fun it is! Join us for an afternoon of exciting bingo games, door prizes, raffles, and refreshments. It's a great way to have fun while helping the animals.

WHAT: Play bingo and win a valuable Longaberger® basket. Each basket is filled to the brim with donated goodies! Refreshments are available for sale.

WHEN: Our next Bingo is scheduled for Sunday, March 14th, 2004. Doors open at 1:00 pm; 1st bingo game begins at 2:00 pm. Other dates will be announced on our website: paw-rescue.org.

WHERE: The Bowie Elks Lodge
 1506 Defense Highway
 Gambrills, MD (Directions are on our website.)

HOW MUCH: Admission is \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door.

TO ORDER: To order advance tickets, please see our website at www.paw-rescue.org or email amyb@radix.net.

Donations are always appreciated to help fill the baskets with goodies. For more information, see the PAW website or email: amyb@radix.net. Only 150 tickets will be sold! Our last bingo helped us earn almost \$3,000 to pay for vet care for our homeless pets!

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How to Contact PAW

PAW is a private, nonprofit, and all-volunteer pet rescue group. We do not have a shelter; instead, we keep dogs and cats in foster homes and in temporary kennel space until permanent homes are found.

Here's how to meet our adoptable pets:

- **ADOPTION SHOWS:** Visit one of PAW's weekend adoption shows, held at participating pet supply stores throughout the Maryland/DC area. For information on our next adoption show, visit our website, call the number below, or see our ads in the *Washington Post* Classifieds under *Pets:Dogs* and *Pets:Cats*. We usually have an ad every weekend listing the show location, date, and time.
- **WEBSITE:** To see photos and descriptions of all of PAW's adoptable animals, plus a list of upcoming adoption shows, events, tips, volunteer information, and more, visit our website at: www.paw-rescue.org.
- **CALL 301-572-4PAW** (301-572-4729) for listings of upcoming adoption shows, volunteer information, donation information, and more. (Since PAW is all-volunteer, we can't always return phone calls as quickly or in as much detail as with e-mail. Please visit our website for photos and information on our adoptable pets, since we may not be able to return such calls as quickly.)
- **E-MAIL:** For cat questions: paw_cats@yahoo.com. For dog questions: dogs@paw-rescue.org. Other addresses are listed on the website.

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“WILL YOU BE MY VALENTINE?”

These Great Pets Need Special Homes

ZASU



Got munchies?

Zasu is 5 years old. She is an affectionate, energetic and playful cat. She loves to chase her feather stick or a fuzzy mouse. She also loves to have her ears rubbed and will happily sit with you to be petted. Her purr is a delight.

Zasu has definite ideas about what

she wants (especially at breakfast time), and won't hesitate to let you know. She is very vocal and loves to tell you how happy she is to see you when you get home. She is also very intelligent, and picks up tricks quickly. Right now she can sit up on command (when it suits her, of course) and her foster mother is working on getting her to jump on her bed on command.

Zasu came to PAW with her kittens from a shelter when her time was running out. A sweet caring momma, she raised not only her own two kittens, Jimmy D. and Imogene, but also Gilda, an orphaned kitten.

As part of our routine testing of new cats, we discovered that she has FIV, which is the feline equivalent of HIV (the virus that can cause AIDS). She is young and otherwise healthy, and is likely to live a long happy life. FIV is not contagious to humans or other species.



She gets along okay with other cats (but would have to be with other FIV+ cats only), as well as with dogs. However, it takes her a bit of time to warm up to other animals, so you'd have to be

patient when introducing her to your other pets.

Zasu's kittens all proved to be free of FIV, and have been adopted into wonderful homes. We hope that we will be able to report the same for Zasu someday soon.

ZUNI



Zuni, a one-year-old Dalmatian, is a face- and ear-washer who loves to give kisses and licks to whatever part of the body he can reach while you hug him. He is crate-trained, housebroken, doesn't beg at mealtimes, and gets along with most other dogs. He is currently enrolled in obedience classes with his foster mom. Zuni is bright, happy, and anxious to please.

Despite this otherwise-promising resume,

Zuni is lacking in some of the social graces. He is a bundle of energy. He needs a fenced yard big enough to run around at top speed—at least a quarter acre would be ideal—and someone to play with to wear him out. Zuni likes to play hard, and still jumps up when he gets excited, which is just about all the time, so he wouldn't be good for kids under 8 years of age.

For those who are not put off by his rambunctious ways and are willing to continue working on his obedience skills, Zuni might be a real diamond in the rough.

TO INQUIRE ABOUT ADOPTING OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, please email paw_cats@yahoo.com for Zasu or jackie.threatte@erols.com for Zuni. See our contact info on page 2 for more details. THANK YOU!

PAW'S 2004 BOARD



PAW formally welcomed its new Board of Directors and enjoyed a fun holiday potluck on December 28, 2003 at Tacoma Park's

Heffner Park community center.

Pictured above are the new board members. Back row, left to right: Mary Janicke (Outreach Coordinator), Mike Courlander (President), Kathleen Krebs (Volunteer Coordinator), Chris Lord (Treasurer). Front row, left to right: Joanne Goldman (Secretary), Amy Bleich (Vice President), Beth MacKenzie (Dog Coordinator), Janet Isman (Fundraising Coordinator). Not pictured: Emily Wirsing, Cat Coordinator.

Welcome, PAW Board of 2004!

After Saying Goodbye

Thoughts On Coping with the Loss of a Companion Animal

by Kathleen Summers

There is a special kind of grief that comes with losing a canine or feline companion. Somehow it feels different from other types of loss. Perhaps it's because, after taking care of your dog's or cat's every need for so many years, sometimes his or her death is the first time you find that you can't help anymore.

To your pet, you were SuperPerson. You gave her your home and heart, and provided for her every need. But when your pet's time on this earth came to an end, you found that your super powers were suddenly useless. You could no longer provide for all her needs and ease all her troubles. You couldn't stop time and make her live forever. Sometimes providing a painless euthanasia was the only thing you could do to help.

Unaccustomed to feeling powerless, you find yourself thinking that perhaps you could or should have done something differently. Did you wait too long to put her out of her pain—or not long enough? Had you missed a sign that she was ill? Is there something else you could have done to save her?

Of course, we all know intellectually that we can't cheat death. But in our hearts we feel like we *should* have found a way. On top of that, we have lost a beloved pal who was always our biggest fan, our most faithful friend, and who was often like a child to us.

Sometimes the only people who seem to be able to understand all this are those who have been through the same sense of loss. Below are some resources created for and by other pet lovers who have been through the grief of pet loss.

Pet Bereavement Resources

- **The Montgomery County Humane Society** hosts free pet bereavement seminars on the third Wednesday of every month. You must call ahead to reserve a seat. Call Ellen at (240) 773-5973. For more info, visit the shelter's website at: <http://www.mchumane.org/bereave.html>.
- On the **Association for Pet Loss and Bereavement's** website at www.aplb.org you can look up a local support group or pet loss counselor, join an online supportive chat, see a bibliography of suggested readings that can be ordered online, and/or look up a local pet cemetery or crematory. You can also join the nonprofit group for a small fee and receive their newsletter and other perks.
- At www.rainbowsbridge.com, you can post a photo of your departed pet along with an online memorial. It is like a virtual pet cemetery. (There is a \$25 annual charge for hosting the page, which

benefits charity). You can leave virtual flowers and teddy bears for your pet, and visitors to the site can leave messages for you.

- The **DC Pet Loss Support Group** on Yahoo.com offers online support from local people who have been through a similar loss. They are not professional counselors, but pet lovers who offer their understanding and sympathy. The group sometimes meets in person. To join, go to: <http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/PetLossSupportDCMetro/> or email: PetLossSupportDCMetro@yahoogroups.com.

Adopters Say...

ADOPTED PAW CAT SHOWS COMPASSION

Teagan the cat was adopted from PAW. His foster mother, Pam Klecan, received these emails about Teagan's compassion during a difficult time with his new family, when their Dalmatian, Debbie, was dying of advanced lymphoma. Adopter Faye Simmerly wrote...

We are losing our dear Dalmatian, Debbie. Debbie was diagnosed with lymphoma in July. She's put up a brave fight. She is nine years old and she's at the point now that we know she is suffering. We have a wonderful vet who has followed her all the way, but the time has come and the vet agrees. Dr. Carmen is kind enough to come out to the house on Friday to put her to sleep. We wanted her to be where she is most happy and loved and not in the vet's office. It's funny too, of all the cats, Teagan took a liking to her. Debbie didn't like cats, but just in the last month, Teagan has been jumping over the gate in the kitchen where Debbie stays during the evening and keeps watch over her. He knows something's wrong with her and he gets down on the floor and rubs her and noses her, like he's saying it's going to be all right. Debbie never let another cat do that. Teagan is such an extraordinary cat! Losing Debbie is like losing a child! I'm pretty sure Teagan will miss her. He's always sitting in there with her. [. . .]

[After euthanasia]... It's such a loss when you lose your "child." You're so attached to them. Our vet is so nice, he came to the house this morning. Debbie was surrounded by all who loved her and I held her until she was gone. I was amazed at the cats! We were in the kitchen, and all the cats including Teagan were sitting on the table outside the kitchen door looking in. It was like they were paying their respects. It's very unusual for all three cats to be sitting near each other like that. Teagan has been lying in Debbie's spot in the kitchen where she slept all day. I know he misses her. As I said before, Teagan is an extraordinary cat!

Faye, please accept PAW's sympathy on the loss of Debbie.

In Fond Memory of Eugenie "Ninie" Murray

With the passing of Ninie on December 9, 2003, the animals have lost a true friend. She was well known in the animal welfare community. Ninie was an active member of the SPCA/HS of Prince George's County for 29 years before retiring to California in 2001. Due to her devotion and untiring efforts to ensure the well being of the animals, Ninie did make a difference. She achieved her dream by always finding ways to protect the animals from harm whether it be lobbying for legislation to benefit the animals or going out on cruelty cases as a humane officer. She was a member of Commission for Animal Control in Prince George's County for 13 years as a voice for the animals. She dedicated her life to helping all animals.

Ninie had an untiring passion and determination for animal welfare. She was instrumental in establishing the SPCA Spay Neuter Clinic in Prince George's County. Her motto was, "We are here for the animals." Ninie did what she set out to accomplish—to make a difference. That she did. She not only made a difference for the animals but also made a difference by teaching others how to help the animals. Through Ninie's intervention, she spared the animals needless suffering.

Ninie, we will miss you. Many thanks from the animals that you protected. Thanks also for teaching humans to be more compassionate. Your legacy will continue.

—Judy McClain

Ninie's Legacy: The Casey Cruelty Fund

Ninie helped establish the "Casey Cruelty Fund," which provides special funding to rehabilitate homeless dogs and cats who have been the victims of human cruelty. Donations to honor the memory of Ninie and her devotion to animals can be made to "PAW--Casey Cruelty Fund" and sent to:

PAW, P.O. Box 1074
Greenbelt, Maryland 20768

Special Donations...

In Honor of People

- In honor of **Aaron Goldman's Bar Mitzvah**, by Mr. and Mrs. Dziadek, Mr. and Mrs. Hornestay, Helene & Alex Stolzberg, Frederick L. Sims, Charlotte and Dan Fishman, Nancy Burke, Marvin and Charlotte Konick, Liat and Sheldon Novek
- In honor of **all of you wonderful two- and four-legged members of the Partnership** – I miss and love you all, by Jerry Roth
- In honor of **Chris Lord**—for doing it all! by Joan Marshall
- In honor of **Dani Lehardy**, about the best dog helper and advocate I have ever met, by Joan Wood
- In honor of **Dr. Barbara Henderson**, by Nancey Parker

- In honor of **Felicia Aronson**, by Simon Kahn
- In honor of **Fred Maxwell, Jr. and Esther Ferington**, by Beverly Maxwell
- In honor of **Frieda Shama**, by Christa Johnson
- In honor of **Frieda Weise**, by Jane Murray
- In honor of **Helene and Alex Stolzberg, on their 30th wedding anniversary**, by Liat and Sheldon Novek
- In honor of **Iris Rainone**, by Dorothee Riederer
- In honor of **Iris Rainone**, by Gary Mummert
- In honor of **Jackie Threatte and Georgann & Ken Kates**, by Llewella Connolly
- In honor of **Janet Drazek and Janet Bell**, by Susan Stayer and Wendell Albright
- In honor of **Janet Drazek, foster mom of Smokey Virtue**, by Steve and Carla Virtue
- In honor of **Janet Drazek, our foster Mom**, by Sandy and Leo (aka Ronan) Holloway
- In honor of **Jonah Nelson's Bar Mitzvah**, by Robert Melucci, Joel Sartorius, Zella Shabasson Rosenberg, Lila & Murray Kaufman, Leah Mitchel, Stephanie Duncan-Peters, Martin and Sabra Ingall, Jessica Kades, Chris and Duncan Weals and Amy Hancock, Daniel Weingart, Janice and Steven Glazer
- In honor of **Judy's birthday**, by Aimee Kessler
- In honor of **Karin Anderson**, by Caroline Van Mason
- In honor of **Margaret Golden**, by Gail and George Dorsey
- In honor of **Mary Shine's birthday**, by Anne Rensberger
- In honor of **Stefani Watterson**, by Peter Sackleh
- In honor of **volunteers who work to stop cruelty to animals**, by Robin Tierney

In Memory of People

- In memory of **Charles Elchinger**, by Sharon Estes
- In memory of **Chris Neal**, by Norinne Haddad
- In memory of **Debbie Breuer**, by Terry, Ken, Justin, Daniel, Colton & Clark Seigel, Michele Jolles, Margaret C. Bell, Carolyn & Peter Pirnie and Migel, Weight Watchers Monday Night Waldorf, William Moneypenny, Bob and Lynne Herman, Kathy Judd, Liz Dietz, Joan Marshall, Larry and Sheila Breuer, Tiffany Chaires
- In memory of **Don Woodman, of Dallas, TX**, by Beverly Maxwell
- In memory of **Ellen Kahn**, by Laurie Daddino
- In memory of **Frances Emmons, my mother – an animal lover**, by Pat Maslin
- In memory of **Kirsi Booker Yanick**, by Jaime Smith and Brian Mott
- In memory of **Lillian M. Sedicum**, by Jo Ann DiCarlo and Norma DiCarlo, Joan Jolles (Mom and Jules)
- In memory of **Ninie Murray** who made a difference for the animals by always putting their welfare first, by Judy and Roger McClain
- In memory of **Ninie Murray**, a great teacher of kindness to all creatures and a hero to all, by Joan Marshall
- In memory of **Thomas Golden**, by Gail and George Dorsey

In Honor of Pets

- In honor of **Apache**, by Constance Slawecki
- In honor of **Ashley**, our PAW cat, by Elizabeth Focht
- In honor of **Auggie and Flopsy!**, by Nancy Klein
- In honor of **Axl and Sebastian**, by Lawrence Gordon
- In honor of **Cherokee, part of our family and our wonderful friend**, by Mitch and Cathie Rosenfeld
- In honor of **Chloe**, by the Forman Family
- In honor of **Cubby (aka Scarlet) – on the one year anniversary of her adoption** – by Gina and Greg Tonn
- In honor of **Gallagher**, by Doris Lane
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DONATIONS IN MEMORY AND IN HONOR, CONTINUED...

- In honor of **Harley, our dog who we adopted on 9/11/01**, by Amy and Andrew Bauer
- In honor of **Jelly and Jam**, by Kathleen Taylor and Jill Leonard
- In honor of **Julie, who I got from PAW**, by Jackie Horvath
- In honor of **Kiku, our adorable PAW pooch**, by Linda and Gordon Aoyagi
- In honor of **Lady Clarissa and Sir Samuel the Brave**, by Dale Jenkins
- In honor of **Macey, formerly Goldie, on the anniversary of her adoption**, by Jen Murphy
- In honor of **my wonderful Sara, adopted 11/00**, by Catherine Aldrich
- In honor of **Ninja, April's cat**, by anonymous
- In honor of **Willie**, by Euri Everett

In Memory of Pets

- In memory of **Amber, together again with Quincy at the Rainbow Bridge**, by Georgia Niedzielko
- In memory of **Augie Birdsell Langer**, by Janet and Gerry Levenberg
- In memory of **Bandit, my first rescued Dalmatian and my bed partner for the last 12 years**, by Jackie Threatte
- In memory of **beloved cats Marcie and Bailey and beloved dog Blondie**, by Suzanne Summers and David LaPierre
- In memory of **Blondie, a PAW alumni**, by Kathleen Summers
- In memory of **Blondie**, by Nancy Stier
- In memory of **Buttons**, by Eileen Marsh
- In memory of **Casey, Buddy and Rosie**, by Joan Marshall
- In memory of **Cassie and Bella**, by Linda Swift
- In memory of **Charlie and Linus, the darling brothers, together again**, by Joan Marshall
- In memory of **Chloe, Donna Harting's beloved Cockapoo**, by Michael Weiss
- In memory of **Cody Riederer, dog of my dear friend Dorothee**, by Iris Rainone
- In memory of **Dusty**, by Dr. Robyn Zeiger
- In memory of **Finney**, by Eloise Ross Rubincam
- In memory of **Frisky**, by the Forman Family
- In memory of **Jessie, Carol Seiss's beloved rescued beagle who went over Rainbow Bridge in 2003**, by Marsha Rader
- In memory of **Kitty**, by Elizabeth Focht
- In memory of **Missy**, by John and Mary O'Dea, and "Tara"
- In memory of **Mooshi**, by Pauline T. Arnett
- In memory of **Mooshi, my dear cat who passed away on July 31, 2003** – he was 14 years old, by Willie Arnett
- In memory of **Oliver, Saioto, Natasha & Punkin**, by Robin Meredith
- In memory of **Paddington, on the two-year anniversary of my best friend's death**, by Colleen Pritchard
- In memory of **Peanut**, by Euri Everett
- In memory of **Pumpkin, the most wonderful cat I have ever loved, and in thankfulness to PAW for bringing me Goober (formerly Christopher Robin)**, by Rita Fullem
- In memory of **Ricky**, by Pamela Libby
- In memory of **Shadow**, by Ann Weidensaul
- In memory of **Shadow**, by Connie Gilman
- In memory of **Shep**, by June Hanley
- In memory of **Sophie**, by Allen and Pamela Howland
- In memory of **Timber**, by Suzanne Mattingly
- In memory of **Winston**, by Janet and Gerry Levenberg

PLEASE NOTE: Some gifts may have been received after the deadline for this issue. They will be printed in the next issue.

Little Bites...

Free Demonstrations on Responsible Pet Ownership

PAW volunteers are available to provide free RPO (Responsible Pet Ownership) presentations to schools and community groups. Dogs and/or cats accompany the volunteers to help demonstrate humane pet care issues. For information about having a free presentation for your school, scout troop, office, or other gathering, please contact: tierneydog@yahoo.com.

Cats and Dogs Seek Loving Foster Homes

The need for dog and cat foster homes is always urgent. Without them, PAW cannot save the lives of dogs and cats who have run out of time at local shelters. Foster pets share your home until they find their "forever families." You provide food, love, and gentle training; PAW provides all necessary medical care, and can loan crates and other supplies.

To read more information about fostering for PAW, go to: <http://www.paw-rescue.org/foster.html>.

To discuss fostering a dog, please contact dogs@paw-rescue.org, or for cats, contact paw_cats@yahoo.com. Thank you!

PAW Needs Volunteers!

A gift of your time can help the animals in so many ways. New volunteer orientations take place the first and fourth Saturdays of the month from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed for countless jobs, and there is no minimum time commitment. To sign up for an orientation, please email Kathleen Krebs at krebs-paw@comcast.net.

Your Online Shopping Can Help PAW

Whenever you shop online, whether it's for books, pet food, clothes, or even office supplies, a portion of your purchase price can be donated to PAW, **at no cost to you!** Just go to www.greatergood.com. Click on "find a cause" on the homepage, and type in "Partnership for Animal Welfare" as your charity of choice. Then shop away at hundreds of major retailers—everything from Barnes and Noble to PetSmart—all while helping the animals. You can also shop at a similar site, called iGive, www.igive.com, the same way. Both sites will help us save dogs' and cats' lives at no cost to you.

**Payroll Deduction Helps
PAW Save Lives...
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PAW Shakes to...

- **THE OUTGOING PAW BOARD OF DIRECTORS** for donating their time and energy over the past year to help the animals. Meows and bow wows!
- **OVATIONS CATERING AND CARL FIORENTINO** for involving PAW in their Bowie BaySox Fundraising Program. We have worked with Carl and Ovations for many years, each year raising thousands of dollars to help the neglected and abused animals that come our way. These funds are important and we offer Ovations Catering and Carl Fiorentino our sincere appreciation for the opportunity.
- **THE L.L.C. (LEAPIN' LEOPARDS CLUB)**, a group of four girls, ages 9 to 10, who try to help the environment. They held a book sale and chose to send the proceeds to PAW to help animals. Thank yous, purrs, and woofs to Rebecca Cook, Sarah Botzer, Sarah Rose and Maia Werbos!
- **AARON GOLDMAN** and **JONAH NELSON**. Both young men chose PAW as a charity to receive donations from their Bar Mitzvahs. Purrs and wags!
- **PAW's VIRTUAL ADOPTION SPONSORS** for helping to provide veterinary care funding for animals who are in permanent foster placement due to unforeseen chronic illness. (To see our virtual adoption pets, go to our website at www.paw-rescue.org and click on Virtual Adoptions.)
- **GAZETTE NEWSPAPERS** for featuring a promotional spot for PAW in some of their weekly editions. Meows!
- **THE JOURNAL NEWSPAPER** for featuring several adoptable PAW animals each week.
- **ALL PAW'S VOLUNTEERS** for staffing tables at adoption shows, driving pets to vet appointments and adoption shows, organizing fundraisers, and much more, and to the **FOSTER FAMILIES** who open their homes seven days a week to give PAW's dogs and cats a second chance at happiness. We couldn't save lives without you.
- **VETERINARIANS AND STAFF** at **Beltway Referral Associates, Chesapeake Veterinary Cardiology Associates, College Park Animal Hospital, Family Veterinary Clinic, Gaithersburg Animal Hospital, Hyattsville Animal Hospital, Kenhaven Animal Hospital, Laurel Park Animal Hospital, Metropolitan Emergency Animal Clinic, Nebel Street Animal Hospital, St. Charles Animal Hospital, St. Leonard Animal Hospital, VCA Veterinary Referral Associates, Watkins Park Animal Medical Center, and Wheaton Animal Hospital** for providing reduced-cost vet care to so many of PAW's homeless dogs and cats. Wags!
- **PRESTON COUNTRY CLUB** and **REISTERSTOWN BOARDING KENNEL**, for boarding some of our homeless pets at reduced rates. Wags and woofs!
- **PRINTING IMAGES of Rockville**, for printing this newsletter at reduced cost.
- **WUSA TV'S PETLINE 9** for featuring an adoptable PAW dog each month on a live TV spot on the Saturday morning news.
- **WTOP NEWS RADIO STATION** for broadcasting PAW's humane pet care tips one day a month.
- **LAST BUT NEVER LEAST**, we thank the Maryland-area **PETSMART** and **PETCO** stores, for hosting our weekly dog and cat adoption shows. Paw shakes and purrs to all!

Membership/Donation Form

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www.paw-rescue.org 301-572-4PAW

PLEASE CHECK AS MANY AS APPLY:

___ **Membership:** **Single** (\$25) **Family** (\$45)

___ **Renewal:** Please check here if this is a renewal membership.

___ **Additional donation:** I am enclosing an additional gift of \$ _____

___ I enclose an additional donation **in memory of:**

A person: _____ A pet: _____

___ I enclose an additional donation **in honor of:**

A person: _____ A pet: _____

___ **Volunteer:** I am willing to help in the following capacity:

Total Enclosed: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please make checks payable to the Partnership for Animal Welfare and mail to the address above. The animals thank you.

Gallagher: “I’m Handsome on the Inside, Where it Counts!”



Poor Gallagher. He has so much beauty inside him, but due to a medical condition, his outward appearance can be a little off-putting at first!

This poor fellow was referred to us by a local animal shelter. They called to ask if we would take on a horrible neglect case. It was thought that this poor boy was burned with chemicals and then dumped... but as it turned out, this was not the case. It turned out to be a terrible skin infection that ate

away at some of the flesh on his lips and nose. Gallagher is healing well but will always look different. Hopefully someone will see past his unusual looks and find the very lovable and affectionate boy we know here at PAW.

For information on meeting and possibly adopting Gallagher, please call 301-340-8672.



A NOTE FROM GALLAGHER:

*Hi, my name is **Gallagher!** Everybody says I look like something out of Planet of the Apes, but I don't care! All I know is, I am feeling a lot better now that PAW has treated*

those painful skin infections! You can laugh at me, or with me, if you want, but please don't overlook me. My heart was not damaged at all and I have a lot of love to give. If you want to meet me, please call my friends at PAW at the number above. Thanks and wags,

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