

PAW Shakes



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From “PAW Beginnings”

BY AMY BLEICH (First published in the Spring 2014 issue of PAW Shakes; adapted by permission)

THE YEAR 2026 marks PAW’s 30th year of helping save cats and dogs all over the Mid-Atlantic region, and finding them the love and stability of a forever home. But as many of you know, such success in rescuing animals was not always the case.

Some of us volunteering for one such group took issue with a new policy that required animals to be adopted by the foster. If they chose not to, the animals were returned and potentially euthanized. This created a very difficult choice for fosters. So in May of 1996 we decided to incorporate as an all-breed rescue, drawing from shelters throughout the area. Once in PAW’s care, these animals would be safe forever.

We began by creating partnerships with local shelters, veterinary offices, boarding facilities, and pet supply stores. We documented all our processes and procedures and created contracts for fosters, volunteers, and adopters. Perhaps most momentously, we developed our own website. At this time, the World Wide Web was mainly just used by universities and hi-tech firms. There was basic e-mail and public bulletin boards for hobby groups, etc. We established a presence on a board called rec.pets.dogs. rescue to find a place for a dog named Maggie. Her shelter was having trouble finding a place for this older but spunky girl, so we posted her story—and got responses! We found two foster homes



and two more active volunteers almost immediately, and Maggie went to a foster and eventually to a forever home.

Soon the Washington Post sent a reporter to one of our adoption shows, and then featured PAW in a lengthy article. Other newspapers followed suit, and the word was spreading. Our adoption shows were different back then. Since most people were not yet online we used ads in newspapers to announce our events. We were soon much sought after by pet supply stores and other venues to hold our shows, which basically took over the entire store. We kept our animals in crates and would take them out as people came by to meet them.

While this show format hasn’t changed all that much (although our dogs are no

longer crated), the problem of pet overpopulation continues. Fortunately there are now many more rescues like ours all over the country, working to save animals. PAW and our groundbreaking work has earned a reputation in our area for which we should all be proud! But even with the greater number of rescue organizations, our services are still desperately needed by our partner shelters. We continue to answer their calls and step in to save animals, some of whom would otherwise be euthanized. As PAW enters its fourth decade, we can be thankful for the lives we’ve saved and look forward to continuing our mission. ❤️

As the following stories show, PAW is still very active in saving the lives of cats and dogs . . .

For 30 years, PAW has helped more than 6,000 pets find loving, forever homes!



Meet Sephie, our 6,000th adoption.

Against the Odds

How PAW's Cat Program Turned Three Critical Cases into Miracles

BY ASHLEY FIELDS

SOME RESCUE CATS AND KITTENS arrive needing a warm bed and a full bowl. Others arrive needing extraordinary care.

Pamela Klecan and Emily Ratner stepped up in March 2025, as Cat Coordinator and Cat Medical Coordinator respectively, to revive the PAW Cat Program. Shortly after, Ashley Fields joined as the Cat Foster Coordinator followed by Maria Nunez-Gaylor as Cat Transport Coordinator. Over the past year, the Cat Program has continued to define its mission; one meaningful focus has been stepping in for cats and kittens whose medical needs exceed a shelter's time or financial capacity. By rescuing these critically ill felines, PAW helps bridge a crucial gap in lifesaving care.

In this article, three remarkable survivors remind us what's possible when compassion, collaboration, and commitment come together at exactly the right moment.

Sol's Second Sunrise

Sol, a sweet two-year-old orange tabby with a personality as bright as his fur, suddenly became gravely ill. Fosters Britany and Evan quickly rushed Sol to the pet ER where they found he was severely anemic. After comprehensive testing, Sol was diagnosed with *immune-mediated*



hemolytic anemia, a rare and life-threatening condition in which the body destroys its own red blood cells.

Critically ill, Sol required a blood transfusion in addition to extensive emergency and follow up veterinary and foster care. Thanks to these resources, he's now thriving back at home with his loving fosters. What a powerful reminder of what can happen when timely medical intervention and committed caregivers come together! Without it, Sol would not be with us today.



Anastasia's Brave Comeback

Anastasia's journey began with heartbreak. At just four months old, she suffered a broken hip and pelvis, injuries that could have permanently altered her future. We don't know how Anastasia was injured, but we knew she was a fighter with a great spirit. Just before Christmas, PAW stepped in and Ashley took Anastasia and placed her on strict crate rest and provided round-the-clock medications to keep her comfortable. Anastasia was able to get the surgery she needed to heal and regain mobility.

What makes her story especially heartwarming is her foster-to-adopt mom, Meg, was actually Anastasia's foster at Baltimore Animal Rescue and

Care Shelter (BARCS). Meg was in love with her soft fur and bossy personality, and sad that she might never see Anastasia again. Although PAW did not know Meg beforehand, BARCS had let us know that Meg was interested in adopting her. So, Cat Coordinator Pamela encouraged Meg to apply to foster-to-adopt Anastasia. Once Anastasia's surgery was complete, she was returned right back to Meg for recovery, where she is now thriving in the home that always felt like hers.



Rasputin's Fight for Life

Ashley found a tiny 3 week old shelter kitten weighing only 0.86 pounds and knew it wasn't the place for him. So, she brought him home and immediately named him Rasputin. Shortly thereafter, he became critically ill and was rushed to the vet. Tests revealed he had *panleukopenia*, a highly contagious and often deadly virus. Rasputin was hospitalized and with swift medical intervention, this tiny fighter defied the odds and survived. However, some think Rasputin's name was some sort of self-fulfilling prophecy. If you're unfamiliar with Grigori Rasputin, consider looking him up!

Today, Rasputin is a healthy, playful, six-month old kitten who is thriving in

his forever home. He was adopted on Christmas Day by Georgie and Shay, turning what could have been a tragedy into a joyful holiday beginning.

Growing Impact Through PAW's Cat Program

We hope these stories have highlighted how the PAW Cat Program continues shaping its mission by helping cats and kittens whose medical needs go beyond what shelters can manage due to time, resources, or financial limitations. By stepping in for urgent cases, PAW builds partnerships, provides critical medical

care, and offers second chances when they are needed most.

Sol. Anastasia. Rasputin. Three lives once hanging in the balance, now filled with love, health, and hope. And many more yet to come. As the saying goes, "it takes a village..." And PAW has a village of amazing volunteers and donors who share a passion for animal welfare.

Thank you to every foster, volunteer, donor, and veterinary partner who makes these life-changing outcomes possible. Together, we are creating brighter futures, one paw at a time. 🐾

If this story touched you, and you would like to know how you could get involved with fostering, please email catfosters@paw-rescue.org.

Consider fostering a PAW cat or kitten!



From PAW to the Pages of a Children's Book: Oreo's Story

BY AMY BAE

IN MARCH OF 2020, just days before the world shut down due to the pandemic, our family adopted a tiny black kitten from PAW. We named her Oreo Marie. Oreo, because she was almost entirely black with a small white patch on her chest, and Marie, after a friend who told us about PAW and encouraged us to look there when we were ready to adopt. She was just 12 weeks old, and arrived at our home at a moment when we did not yet realize how much comfort, joy, and companionship we would all need.

At the time, my daughter Adeline was five years old and in kindergarten. She is an only child, and like so many families, we were suddenly facing an unexpected shift to being home together all the time. Oreo very quickly became more than a pet, she was Adeline's constant companion and best friend. From the beginning, Oreo was playful, curious, and always nearby no matter what our daughter was involved in. Oreo joined our older cat Blue, who turns 16 this year. What surprised us most was how naturally Oreo fit into our family dynamic. She became not only Adeline's shadow, but also a close companion for Blue. To this day, Adeline, Oreo, and Blue all sleep

together every night, a small but meaningful ritual that has become part of our family's daily rhythm.

As the years passed, Oreo grew alongside Adeline. When I began writing children's STEM books (the acronym stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics), it felt only natural to include Oreo as a character. Adeline does all her real-life science projects at home, with her cats always by her side. Oreo did not need to be

invented or imagined, she simply showed up on the page the same way she shows up in our lives: curious, present, and always involved. Today, Oreo, Blue, and Adeline star together in my Purr-fect Science Fair Project book series. The books are inspired by Adeline's love of science and hands-on learning, with the cats woven into everyday moments. Oreo's character is directly inspired by who she is at home.

Looking back, it is remarkable to think that this journey started with a 12-week-old kitten adopted from PAW at such a pivotal moment in time. Oreo brought comfort and companionship during an uncertain period, and she continues to bring joy not only to our family, but now to young readers who meet her through the pages of our books. She is certainly a very popular character.

We are incredibly grateful to PAW for bringing Oreo into our lives. Her story is a reminder of the lasting impact rescue organizations have, not just on animals but on families, children, and the stories that grow from those connections. For our family, Oreo will always be a PAW success story. And we carry that gratitude with us every day. 🐾



Lucy's Story

BY MICHELLE GAMES

IN DECEMBER OF 2025, PAW received an email from Baltimore County Animal Services about a very sweet seven-year-old pointer/cattle dog mix named Lucy. She had been surrendered by her family after a large mass began growing on her side and they could not afford the necessary medical treatment. BCAS shared that Lucy was a loving, gentle dog, and we immediately agreed to take her into our care and begin the search for her forever home.

Before Lucy was transferred to PAW, the shelter removed the mass. She was then transported by our wonderful volunteer, Ealena, to her dedicated foster, Andrea, where she could rest and recover. Lucy had a significant amount of tissue removed, and the first few days were understandably difficult. With



patience, love, and Andrea's devoted care, Lucy slowly began to heal—and to enjoy life again.

Unfortunately, Lucy's journey was not yet over. When the mass was sent out for testing, PAW learned that the tumor was cancerous and that the surgery had not achieved clean margins. With a 30% chance of recurrence, our medical team faced a difficult decision: attempt a second surgery or hope the cancer would not return. After careful consideration and consultation with our trusted

veterinary partners, the team determined that the best path forward was to proceed with another surgery to give Lucy the best possible chance at a long, healthy life. Happily, the second surgery was a success, and Lucy is once again on the road to recovery.

But we recently found out that Lucy needs yet another surgery for a leg issue. So PAW will be covering one more procedure before she can be adopted. Happily, her foster Andrea is going to nurse her thru this last surgery.

It is because of you—our incredible supporters—that Lucy was given this second chance. And she continues to need our support, now more than ever. Your generosity makes stories like Lucy's possible. Now, we are counting on her to get through this ordeal, so we can begin searching for a loving forever home where this precious girl can live her hopefully cancer-free life to the fullest! 🐾

Tito's Story

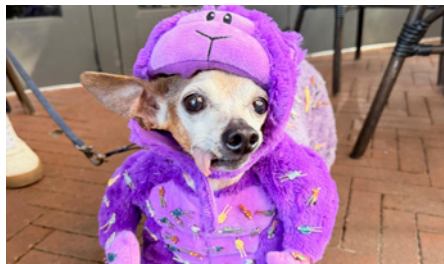
BY YVETTE WISSMANN & ROB WAGENER

WE ADOPTED TITO in April of 2025 after our previous dog D'Angelo passed away in December 2024. Senior dogs are our favorite, so when we started looking, we focused exclusively on older pups (double digit ages preferred!). We met Tito and fell in love immediately—the tongue hanging out (because he only has two teeth) makes him extra special! We went into the adoption meeting thinking he was around 10 years old, but when we found out he was 15 we were more than thrilled!

He came to us as an overweight pup (15 pounds) with some liver issues. He now weighs around 10.5 pounds and his liver levels are normal. All of his other bloodwork and vet visits show he's in great health! And he LOVES to eat. He's also incredibly lazy and enjoys spending his time sleeping on the couch, or burrowing



In Rob's desk drawer—a favorite place for a nap



Must Be Halloween!

himself under the sheets in the “grown up” bed.

Tito is a super happy dog who makes friends with every human he meets (especially if they have treats!). He also goes to the office as often as we can bring him in—and loves hanging out in Rob's desk drawer! 🐾



WOOFIE'S FUND Continues!

IN MEMORY of his beloved cockapoo, Woofie, Michael Weiss continues to generously support PAW in his name. We thank Michael for helping us save the lives of more companion animals than we could have otherwise. The PAW kitties and pups send Michael and Woofie their love, and the PAW humans send their gratitude.



Michael and Woofie



A PAW Rescue, From 28 Years Ago

BY MICHAEL MOORE

IN 1998, we decided to bring a dog into our family. We already had two cats that we obtained from breeders, but we liked the idea of finding an older dog that perhaps had been neglected, and maybe just needed a second chance to be loved by people.

In December, my wife, myself, and our two young sons attended an adoption event at a local Petco, sponsored by PAW. This was an exciting opportunity to meet many dogs needing homes. At the event we saw a lot of potential candidates, but amidst all the noise and excitement one dog was resting calmly in the middle of it all. Her name was Susie. She was about two years old, and after meeting her we all agreed she was the one we wanted.

PAW volunteers carefully worked with us through the adoption process, making sure Susie was the right match for our family. Within a week all was approved and Susie joined us in her forever home, just in time for the year-end holidays! Given that my wife's name is Susan, and



Son Jake with his best friend

the similarity in names might cause confusion, we decided to change Susie's name to Tessie. PAW volunteers liked the change as it was phonetically similar to Susie.

As the years passed, Tessie became a major part of our family, and we all gained a deep appreciation for her overcoming a difficult start in life. We learned

that she was given up with her full litter of puppies. Happily, her offspring were all adopted prior to her coming to us. But it was obvious that she missed her puppies as she would gather our sons' stuffed animals and surround herself with them as if they were her babies. She was also fearful of strange men, bouncing basketballs, and garden hoses. And for a time she also suffered from separation anxiety.

Eventually, with our love and kindness, Tessie overcame her fears and became the best dog our family could have hoped for! She lived with us for a wonderful 13 years, and at the end she passed peacefully with all of us at her side. Because of our experience with Tessie, we believe that rescue animals return the love they receive tenfold. All of our pets since Tessie have been rescues, and some have had special needs. Thank you to everyone at PAW for starting us down this path, and congratulations on your 30th anniversary! 🐾

Why Check and Update Your Pet's Microchip?

As pet parents, we know how much our furry friends mean to us. Unfortunately pets can sometimes go missing. According to the American Humane Society, about 10 million pets are lost every year in the U.S. alone. A microchip can help bring them home safely—but only if your contact information is up-to-date.

Microchips are a powerful tool in pet identification. They're small and permanent, unlike collars or tags. Microchips contain a unique ID number that links to a pet owner's contact information in a national registry. When a vet or animal shelter scans the chip, they retrieve your info to contact you. But if the information is outdated, the chip is useless.

That's why regularly checking and updating your pet's microchip details is an essential step in ensuring they're always safe.



Not sure which registry your chip is with?

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- In honor of Deborah Kirch for her birthday, from Pam & Isabella
- In honor of Liz Symonds to celebrate her birthday, by Brandy Schindler
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- In honor of PAW, Juliana Brody shares her allowance money as a thank you for letting her best friend, Sky, be part of our family since 2020, by Lee Brody
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- In honor of PAW, as celebration of Otis this holiday season, a gift has been made to support dogs needing care, love, and a forever home, by Robert Duggan
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- In honor of Dennis Schiavone, Sr., by Nancy Schiavone

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- In memory of Joe Haurand Jr. May his memory be a blessing, by Steve Beck
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- In memory of Joe Haurand, by William Rains
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- In memory of Sharyn G. Harlow, by Donald Harlow
- In memory of Jean-Jacques Dethier, by Shilpa Patel
- In memory of Rosemary Wotten, who fostered our cute Curly (poodle 1999), by Elizabeth Seastrum
- In memory of my brother, Dennis, who passed over in November (Dennis J. Schiavone Jr). He loved animals and so do I, by Susan Schiavone

In honor of pets:

- In honor of Ziggy and Riley, by Wayne and T Humphries
- In honor of PAW dog Casey and in memory of PAW dog Coakley, by Wendy Smith and Gary Fitch
- In honor of Lexi and Peanut (sister cats), by Jeri Holloway
- In honor of Clyde (PAW Alumnus), by Bridget Higginbotham
- In honor of Lilac and Eloise, our latest of many PAW cats, by Karen Reznik
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- In memory of Susie, a PAW rescue, by Jean S. Polatsek
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- In memory of Georgia, by Erin Jacobson
- In memory of Emily, beloved cat, 14 yrs old, by Iris Rainone
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- In memory of Robin Vinopal’s beloved Cooper, by Emily Ratner
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In memory of PAW alum, Bogart, 2008, by Katherina Zotos
 In memory of Gretchen, a PAW dog adopted in Feb. 2015, and Sam the kitty, not a PAW kitty, who passed away 9/5/2025, by Dianne Thompson
 In memory of Ernie, our PAW pup for 10 amazing years, by Cheryl Johnson
 In memory of Max and in thanks for Niko, by Carol Thomas
 In memory of Black Jack, by Ellen and Judd Moul
 In memory of my PAW dog, Ralph, who went to heaven in November, by Shelly Rose
 In memory of Willow Cavaliere, adopted 11-7-14 and left this earth 10-23-25. Forever in our hearts, by Brian Cavaliere
 In memory of our dear Roxie and thanks to PAW for their great work, by Melanie LaCount
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 In memory of Chase, by Lorraine S. Wickstrom
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 In memory of Ernie. Adopted

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 In memory of Cogburn the Rooster, by Eloise Rubincam
 In memory of Nicky and Pebbles, by Carolyn Kujava
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 In memory of Greta—adopted from PAW in 1998. GSD—We had her for 14.5 years, by Helen Grant
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 In memory of Daisy, by Pamela and Donald Gochenour

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A. and Shigeko Cunningham
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TODAY, we remember PAW volunteer, Joe Haurand.

Joe was a kind, gentle man who gave his heart to homeless animals. Joe saw hope where others saw none, offering comfort, care, and a second chance. His compassion changed lives—one dog at a time. His legacy lives on in every wagging tail and every life saved. Rest easy, Joe,



knowing you made the world softer, kinder, and far better than you found it.

And that is Joe's legacy.



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- TRANSPORTERS, who take our cats and dogs to and from their vet appointments. They are so grateful.
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