



The Humane Society



Winter 2004

of Randolph County



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Merry Christmas



Cause for Paws



Cause for Paws was a successful and fun-filled evening. The Asheboro Country Club provided a lovely venue. The food was scrumptious! Our guests were anxious to see if their bid was the winning bid on the silent auction items of their choice. But they were even more anxious to see if they won any of the reverse raffle monies. Excitement built as the drawn down proceeded. Several winners made HSRC the beneficiaries of their winnings. Thanks to all who made the evening possible. We hope to see everyone next year, and encourage each guest to bring a friend. Cause for Paws is our largest fund raiser of the year.

Cheryl Smith





HSRC Parade Participation

The Asheboro parade was held Friday, Dec. 3 at 7:00 pm and the Archdale parade was held Sunday, Dec. 5 at 3:00 pm. It was a very good weekend for a parade and there was a very large spectator population attending. We used the theme "Home for the Holiday," which showed "homeless" dogs in cages, outside in the snow, in dismal conditions. The other showed dogs in a happy home, sharing life with their family. We had several dogs bring their people, both members and foster, for the Asheboro parade. We did not have as many show for the Archdale parade, but we were overwhelmed by the number of people asking about animals we had for adoption. They seemed very upset that we only had 2 foster dogs on Sunday show up. I know we did not have a lot of "planning time" for this event and it was the first year we have had a float, so maybe next year we can expect more participation, especially from foster animals. This was great exposure for us in the community. We got cheers from people in Archdale. This event showed that we can do and should do different things though out the county. I want to thank everyone for their support and time. Let's start planning for next year.



Audrey Ballard



All Part of the Asheboro Fall Festival

The tents went up, tables were placed and merchandise displayed- the 2004 annual Fall Festival in Asheboro was in full swing October 2nd and 3rd. The HSRC was present greeting and answering questions from the people that stopped by our booth. For sale were the HSRC t-shirts, framed pet prayers, Science Diet pet food and Cause for Paws Fundraiser tickets. Raffle tickets were sold for a dollar each in a drawing to win one of 3 spay or neuter surgeries. Many HSRC members were present during the two day event to help with our participation.

Among other animal groups, was the K-9 Corp who have in their membership, Ally Thomas of Thomas School for Dogs in Randleman and Dr. Teena Byrd, veterinarian with Randolph Animal Hospital both of which have been speakers at the HSRC monthly series of Educational Programs. The Corp was located across the street from us and had informative pamphlets, flyers for their upcoming annual Dog Fest and pet educational materials.

The weather was nice, the smells from the food vendors swirled through the air, and people tucked their newly purchased items under their arms. The children were licking cones of homemade ice cream or fresh spun cotton candy and the adults were eating either roasted turkey legs or roasted corn on the cob. Food and treats were as varied as the people purchasing them. Merchandise vendors had all types of items, many being purchased as Christmas gifts. It was truly a festive event.

The HSRC thanks Lorraine Smith who organized the event and all our members who helped make our two days a success.

Marie Yandle





Bush Hill Heritage Festival

On Saturday, September 11, the HSRC took part in the 19th Annual Bush Hill Heritage Festival in Archdale. In order to accommodate the patriotic theme of the event to honor 9/11, Suzanne Tate, Paige Wilhoit and Dawn Wilson used white sheets with blue paw prints as table covers and draped red streamer from the blue tent. It was very patriotic indeed!

The 5K Bush Hill Run, Walk, and Talk preceded the festival at 8:00. Opening ceremonies began at 9:00 with a parade. Entertainment included Part Time Party Time Band, Magic Feet Cloggers, DC Sayner and Stewart Coley. There were numerous vendors selling jewelry, handbags, pottery and other crafts and, of course, there was food, food, food! Among the non-profit vendors were our buddies from *Project Racing Home Greyhound*. The greyhounds were sporting their customary "donation dog" jackets and as usual drawing a big crowd.

Our humane society members spoke with people who visited the booth answering questions regarding a number of subjects. Science Diet pet food was sold along with the new humane society t-shirts and framed pet prayers. A raffle for 3 free spay or neuter surgeries was held and tickets were purchased for a \$1 donation. Many people visiting our booth signed up for the Food Lion Shop and Share program.

Marie Yandle made friends with our neighboring vendor who sold "gyros" and he offered a discount to humane society members on a purchase of a sandwich and they were absolutely delicious! Elaine Davis visited vendors in hopes of getting animal themed items donated for our silent auction that was held at *A Cause for Paws*. One item she had donated sold for four times its value at the auction! We will let her solicit items any time!

Of course the day could not end without a bit of excitement. As the members were breaking-down the booth, a huge gust of wind picked the tent off the ground and gently placed it upside down onto the neighboring tent! Elaine and Dawn tried to hang on to the tent. However; they discovered "you can't fight Mother Nature." The "gyro" vendor and his buddies had to help with the tent.

In all, it was a very pleasant day. The Humane Society would like to thank Wilson Insurance Associates of Archdale for sponsoring our booth at the festival. Dawn Wilson



EDUCATION SERIES

As another means of reaching out to the community, the HSRC provided a free educational lecture for the public and our members. The program was a success with important information provided by interesting speakers and free desserts and beverages provided by the HSRC.

The topics of the free lectures have been varied. I would like to thank our guest speakers Ally Thomas for two lectures on Dog Behavior and Dog training tips; Liz Hile for information on Pet Nutrition; Dr. Teena Byrd for Integrating a New Foster Animal; and Dr. Carrie Hampton for tips on dealing with pet emergencies before you get to a Veterinarian.

The 2004 lecture series was hosted by the Fire Mountain Restaurant on Dixie Drive in Asheboro. The Golden Corral, (also on Dixie drive), will host our first lecture of 2005 on January 27th at 6:30 pm. The topic of that lecture will be "Pets in Literature" and will be a book club discussion of animals and good books. The free desserts and beverages for all who attend the lectures in 2005 will continue, as well as free spay/neuters for three attendees.

The topics for the 2005 lectures are also varied and range from the serious to the fun, and should be interesting to everyone. Upcoming topics will include: Pet CPR, Pet First aid, Wildlife rescue and rehabilitation, Pet Crafts/stationary/scrap booking, and The Plight of Homeless Pets.

In addition to the new lecture series, the education committee also continues to support the Adopt-A Teacher program. In this program, Humane education material is purchased from the Humane Society of the United States and distributed to children here in Randolph county. The newspapers contain articles and games and fun facts about the humane care of animals.

The HSRC is proud to sponsor several classrooms for the 2005 school year. If you know of a child and his/her class that are not receiving KindNews, please contact the HSRC about enrollment in this program.

I would like to thank Karen Russell and Kim Smith-Nagel for their support of the education committee in 2004.

Paige Wilhoit





The HSRC did the **Pet Pictures with Santa** at Blue Flint Animal Hospital for the fourth year.

It is always A LOT of fun – this year was no exception! Appointments are made for a large variety of dogs (goldens, labs, rotties, and all the toy breeds you can think of – yorkies, poodles, and schnauzers, and always our favorites, the mixed breeds) and even a few



kitties! A special thanks to Santa, who made me really believe; to Blue Flint Animal Hospital and staff, especially Dr. Hartmann and Tracy; Sloan, our SW Middle School helper; Cyana Briles and assistant our very talented photographer; and as always, to our own very dedicated HSRC volunteers, Cheryl, Pam, and Suzanne. Can't wait 'til next year!!

Janice Coakley



A fun time was had by all at the **Canine Corp's annual Dogfest**. The HSRC set up a table for information and t-shirt sales. We also sponsored the costume contest – lots of cute costumes: ballerinas, dragons, clowns and so on. Thanks to all who came and a special thanks to Elaine, Marie, Pam, and Teena.

Janice Coakley



IT IS MVP TIME AGAIN

2004 will be over soon, so it's time to register or re-register your Food Lion MVP Cards with us and the Humane Society will be awarded points for every purchase you make using your card. We earn dollars through their point system, an easy way to keep giving all through the year to us. You can register at www.foodlion.com or re-register for 2005. If you would like, you may go to our web site to register but this must be completed before the end of 2004. If you do not have an Internet access, you may mail your name, address, day phone number and 12 digit MVP number to HSRC, P.O. Box 4384, Asheboro, NC 27204 Attn. Suzanne Tate. Please help us help the animals, register/re-register your MVP Card for 2005-register your family members, co-workers and neighbors also. The HSRC thanks you.



SPAY AND NEUTER CAMPAIGN

Aimed at raising awareness about the importance of spaying or neutering and also eliminate myths that surround the practice.

10 Reasons to Neuter your Male Pet

1. They are generally less aggressive toward people and other animals.
2. Your pet will be healthier and happier.
3. Your pet will not be contributing to the ever constant problem of pet overpopulation.
4. They will be gentler and more home loving.
5. They will not roam around the neighborhood in search of females in season.
6. They will be less likely to mark their territory.
7. They will not suffer reproductive disorders later in life.
8. You can save money since neutered pets are less likely to roam and fight, you'll likely save on emergency vet bills.
9. They are easier to train.
10. You can have the satisfaction of knowing you helped save lives!

ASPCA



Very Best Pet Network

The VBPN is a new program through Purina in association with Walmart that rewards us for holding adoption fairs and educational seminars at our local Walmart's. By sponsoring events within their guidelines, we can earn points towards various grant amounts, depending on how many points we earn per quarter. There are several activities that we must participate in or hold in order to qualify for the points, such as writing a recap of the activities, submitting photos of the event, or submitting newspaper articles covering our events. There are many other ways to earn points also and unlimited events we can hold. Walmart has been wonderful in helping us sponsor these events from what I am told. Marie Yandle is in charge of holding the events for us, and always does an excellent job not only organizing the events and hosting them, but giving our organization the exposure we need. Keep up the good work, Marie!!

Pam Woolen





Holiday Etiquette for Dogs

1. Be especially patient with your humans during this time. They may appear to be more stressed-out than usual and they will appreciate long comforting dog leans.
2. They may come home with large bags of things they call gifts. Do not assume that all the gifts are yours.
3. Be tolerant if your humans put decorations on you. They seem to get some special kind of pleasure out of seeing how you look with fake antlers.
4. They may bring a large tree into the house and set it up in a prominent place and cover it with lights and decorations. Bizarre as this may seem to you, it is an important ritual for your humans, so there are some things you need to know:
 - - don't drink water in the container that holds the tree
 - - mind your tail when you are near the tree
 - - if there are packages under the tree, even ones that smell interesting or that have your name on them, don't rip them open
 - - don't chew on the cord that runs from the funny-looking hole in the wall to the tree
5. Your humans may occasionally invite lots of strangers to come visit during this season. These parties can be lots of fun, but they also call for some discretion on your part:
 - - not all strangers appreciate kisses and leans
 - - don't eat off the buffet table
 - - beg for goodies subtly
 - - be pleasant, even if unknowing strangers sit on your sofa
 - - don't drink out of glasses that are left within your reach.
6. Likewise, your humans may take you visiting. Here your manners will also be important:
 - - observe all the rules in #4 for trees that may be in other people's houses.
 - - respect the territory of other animals that may live in the house
 - - tolerate children
 - - turn on your charm big time.
7. A big man with a white beard and a very loud laugh may emerge from your fireplace in the middle of the night. **DON'T BITE HIM!!**



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Malie
Tulip
Boy
Rebecca
Rachel
Ruth
Belle-deaf kitten



Safety Month



The month of October was Safety month for the Asheboro Wal-Mart. The Humane Society was invited to come and set up a table with the theme of Pet Safety: Protecting Pets from Harmful Situations. We were present on the 23rd of October, handing out material to shoppers about Pet Safety and we had a video playing on the same subject. Shoppers were able to purchase raffle tickets for three full spays or neuters to be drawn at the end of the afternoon. We had a free candy bowl for the children and for a dollar donation to the Humane Society there were pens, note pads and bumper stickers to choose from. Many nice people stopped by to thank us for all the good work we do in the community. HSRC would like thank Jackie Springs and Beverly Daniels, Wal-Mart assistant managers, for all their help.

Marie Yandle



Adoptable Pets



Velvet



Roudy



Buddyboy



Orin

MEMORIALS and DONATIONS

In Memory of: Lisa Bumgarner Briles
on Her Birthday September 9
By: Gene and Betty Bumgarner

In Memory of: JoAnn Nuccio,
sister of Cheryl Smith
By: Debbie Morris and Suzanne Tate

In Memory of: "Cookie"
By: John and Balinda Ferree

In Memory of: "Lady"
By: Liz and John Borger

In Memory of; "Lucky Girl"
By: Mitch and Scottie

In Memory of: "Haley"
By: Alex Chatham, Claude and
Suzanne Tate

In Memory of: "Hopper"
By: Gail Swaringen

Lisa Brown
Arlie Cuip
Ann Williams

In this joyous season of giving ,The Humane Society will send aChristmas card in honor or memory of a loved one or favorite pet. Along with the donation, please include the name of the individual being honored or remembered, the name and address of the recipient, and the full name(s) of the donors. The money raised will be used to assist with low cost spay and neuter, as well as our foster cats and dog program.



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