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### M. J.'s Story

After losing my 12 year old Belgium Malinois, Lugar, in May of 2005, I was thinking of adopting a new dog. I was sure that I would never find another dog that was a joy to be around like Lugar. A co-worker of mine invited me to a Dog Festival in Level Cross in October of 2006. I went to help her with her two Aussies. Shortly after we arrived, I noticed a small, sad looking little terrier mix that was being fostered with the Humane Society of Randolph County.

Not being a fan of small dogs, I asked to hold her because she was so cute. After hearing her story, I felt drawn to her. She was surrendered by a breeder who had confined her since birth, to a crate. As a result of this, her legs were not developing properly and her muscles could not support her body weight. She could barely walk. I also have some walking problems since a bad fall from my horse in 1997 and sustained severe leg fractures. Since the dog and I both had similar problems, I knew I needed to adopt her!



With the help of some great ladies, Dawn Wilson and Debbie Morris, who volunteer for the HSRC, I did adopt "Sabrina" who my son renamed M. J. (from the Spiderman movies). She has become a great addition to our family. She loves to go to the stable where I board my horse—we call it M. J.'s Disneyworld. She has started agility training—which to everyone's surprise, M.J. can jump and go through tunnels and cross other obstacles with no hesitation. Her previous gait problems are so slight now  
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### Mr. Reder of the HSUS as Guest Speaker

Mr. Reder was kind enough to join several Humane Society of Randolph County (HSRC) members for an informal dinner before he came and spoke to the full membership at our general business meeting on May 15, 2007. Mr. Reder discussed his current role in the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) including the need to have a HSUS representative in each state instead of just regionally. Mr. Reder is the NC representative for the HSUS and is based in Raleigh.

Mr. Reder discussed many of the animal related issues that are being addressed on a national, as well as state level.



Currently, there is a bill in the NC State House HB1614 and the NC State Senate SB1477 outlawing the ownership of exotic and dangerous animals. HSRC's own Lorraine Smith has been working on assisting with this bill. Some of the other issues of big concern are dog fighting (of which NC is one of three states with the biggest problem), cockfighting, and tethering (dogs tied or chained). There is also a lot of work being done in the state trying to ban gestation crates (hogs), battery cages (chickens), and field crates (calves).

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The Humane Society of Randolph County  
Invites you to join them at the  
5<sup>th</sup> Annual "A Cause for Paws"  
Dinner, Reverse Raffle, and Silent Auction

Friday, November 09, 2007  
Pinewood Country Club  
Asheboro, NC  
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## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual "A Cause for Paws"



Yes, I believe we can now call this event a tradition! The Humane Society is currently planning its largest fundraising event, the fifth annual "A Cause for Paws". As last year, this year's dinner, reverse raffle and silent auction will be held at Pinewood Country Club and will be on Friday, November 9, 2007. Tickets for the event are \$100, which includes dinner for 2 and an entry into the reverse raffle. The reverse raffle will have a grand prize of \$1,500 and there will be 1-\$300 and 2-\$100 consolation prizes.

As a non-profit organization, we rely on fundraising to provide for the needs of homeless and unwanted pets in Randolph County. Our local shelter is forced to euthanize thousands of stray, abandoned, and surrendered animals every year. The Humane Society's goal is to spay and neuter as many dogs and cats as possible to lower the number of unwanted animals in our county.

Funds raised last year have helped us to increase the amount of animals we can send on the \$25 Buck Truck. This is open to the citizens of Randolph County. Last year's funds have also allowed us to begin operating the Spay and Neuter Clinic at the zoo which is used to spay and neuter Humane Society foster animals and animals from the shelter.

We are currently selling tickets to this event. If you would like to purchase a ticket, donate an item for our silent auction, or be a sponsor, contact the HSRC at 629-PETS. Visit our website for more information on this event.  
Submitted by: Dawn Molnar-Wilson

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that you would have to be looking for it to notice. She is a great little dog and is so much fun and so full of life. She never barks—which makes my husband happy. He was not very excited about her coming to live with us because he missed Lugar so much, but now he only calls her "girlfriend". I don't think he knows her real name.

I never thought that the little, pitiful puppy could turn out to be such a little fireball, so much company, and love the horse farm as much as I do. My husband and sons think I am crazy forgoing riding 5 days a week, but I tell them it keeps me sane. Now I have a little buddy who loves to go to the barn as much as I do AND is a star in her agility class!

Thank you to all the Volunteers of the HSRC!  
Submitted by – Kim Simmons

## "Doggie Day Festival" at Farmer Elementary

For two hours on Saturday, June 19, the area girl scouts had a "Doggie Day Festival" at Farmer Elementary School. This is a way for the scouts to earn badges that pertain to pets.

Participants included animal clinics, a canine unit from the sheriff's department, canine trainers, canine nutritionist, and foster animals. I was there representing the Humane Society of Randolph County. I had set up various displays and brochures full of information about the HSRC. The scouts along with many adults were full of questions.

People were very interested in the "spay and neuter" programs that we offer. I feel that those who participated in the festivities learned a lot of helpful advice on the care of their pets. It was a fun day with an opportunity for the HSRC to educate the public on their commitment to the community which is to decrease the number of unwanted animals in Randolph County by spaying and neutering.  
Submitted by – Audrey Ballard

## New Officers and Board Members

In March, the HSRC held their annual election. We would like to welcome two new Board Members: Lorraine Smith and Tracy Willis.

### Officers:

Paige Wilhoit – President  
Debbie Morris – Vice President  
Elaine Davis – Secretary  
Janice Coakley – Treasurer

### Board Members:

Audrey Ballard  
Marie Chriscoe  
Dawn Molnar-Wilson  
Lorraine Smith  
Tracy Willis



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## Letter from the President

The Humane Society of Randolph County (HSRC) is enjoying a great summer! Our new board members (Lorraine Smith and Tracy Willis) have joined the other board members (Dawn Wilson, Marie Chriscoe and Audrey Ballard) and the board and officers have met on several occasions. We have been examining our policies and making improvements where necessary. I would like to report that the HSRC is right "on target" for our 2007 spending budget and while our total numbers of Spays/Neuters are down from last year, our animal adoption numbers are up. Our communication, legislation and education Committees have all had changes in leadership and our newest committee chairs are all working hard to fulfill their new roles within the HSRC. We enjoyed a great educational lecture by Robert Reder of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) recently, and we were very impressed with the dog agility demonstration by Beverly Fox a few months ago. Our summer, so far, has been a time of changes and happenings. We have worked and played. To stay "cool" our members enjoyed some much appreciated social time at the Red Eye Grill in High Point where we could easily mix HS business with fun and food.



And after this summer is over, the HSRC has plans and goals for the rest of the year as well. Spaying and Neutering of animals to reduce pet overpopulation, and all of the problems that result from overpopulation, has always been a priority of the HSRC. I am working closely with Mimi Cooper of the Randolph County Health Department (Supervisor of Randolph County Animal Control) to reach the goal of having all of the pets adopted from the Randolph County Animal Shelter spayed or neutered before they are adopted by the general public. As you probably know, 100% of HSRC pets are either spayed or neutered before they are adopted, but, the animal shelter has not been able to reach those same standards, until now. Recently, plans have been made to accomplish this goal no later than January 2008. I hope to be able to report details of how we will accomplish this goal in the next newsletter. I can tell you that the HSRC will need to support the Randolph County Animal Shelter to stop pet overpopulation and we, (HSRC) will need the support of our membership. This fall, we will be hosting many of our annual fundraisers and public events (check with us for dates), please attend and donate generously so that we can accomplish more good things for the animals of Randolph County!

Paige Wilhoit - President

## A Needed Change

The way shelters euthanize animals in North Carolina may soon change. The State Animal Welfare Department is recommending new euthanasia guidelines for all state shelters. One recommendation is that animals must be separated from one another when they are gassed. Another is each shelter must use a manufacturer's approved gas chamber. The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) submitted recommendations to the NC Department of Agriculture's Animal Welfare Section during the development process, for the state regulations on methods of euthanasia. The HSUS stated and continues to hold; that the preferred method of euthanasia is injection, using sodium pentobarbital. They also maintain that the use of CO Chambers is a conditional method when the injectable drug is not available to the agency or organization. However, when a CO chamber is used there must be exclusions made for juveniles, pregnant females, injured and geriatric animals. There were also recommendations made as to the chamber itself; as to specifications and operational guidelines. The HSUS has offered several agencies assistance in converting from CO Chambers to euthanasia by injection and they continue to encourage that transition.

According to Robert Reder, NC Program Manager of The Humane Society of the United States, North Carolina has a very high rate of animals euthanized. "A number that exceeds the national average and even that is not acceptable. We must all work to bring those numbers down. Spay/Neuter projects are popping up across our state. This is encouraging and should have a definite impact."

In addition, Reder says that "we must work for social changes; those that encourage and sometimes legislate responsible pet ownership. Such as, mandatory spay/neuter laws, tethering, licensing, differential licensing, kennel licensing, and restrictions on commercial breeders, known as puppy mills need to be addressed."

According to Reder there is a strong and consistent movement towards positive changes in the way North Carolinians view companion animals; including the agencies that operate animal shelters and the state agencies that oversee those shelters. Reder states that "these changes may not happen as fast as we would like; but they are happening."

The Humane Society of Randolph County encourages pet owners to be responsible and spay or neuter their pet(s). This is the only way we will be able to reduce the number of unwanted pets in our county and reduce the number of animals euthanized each year at our local animal shelter.

Submitted by – Dawn Molnar-Wilson

# Pets for Adoption



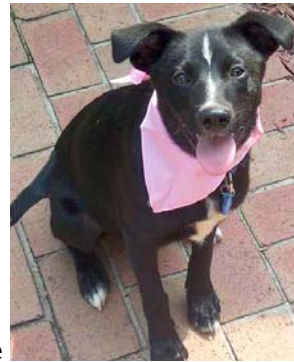
Blake



Stubby



Nemo



Brooke



Sophie



Sabrina

Please visit our website,  
[www.hsrbpets.org](http://www.hsrbpets.org) to see more  
animals available for adoption.



Rusty



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## Memorials and Donations

In Memory of: Lisa Bumgarner Briles  
By: Betty and Gene Bumgarner

In Honor of: Harris and Kathy Brown  
By: Greg, Ameer and Bud Stewart

In Honor of: Dr. Teena Byrd  
By: Greg, Ameer and Bud Stewart

In Memory of: Katie Yow Davis  
By: Friends of Katie Davis/Chris Williams  
Sara Lynn Brady

In Honor of: Addyson and Sydney Hall  
By: Sam and Sansia Coble

In Memory of: Steve Irwin  
By: SGA/Coleridge School

In Memory of: Nanci Meade Jordan  
By: Carol Swanson and Mary Zagaros

In Memory of: Sandra A. Kerns  
By: Joe and Lucy Lamb  
The Timken Company  
West Bend UMC

In Memory of: Judy Margrethe Nance  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Markvart  
Rural Letter Carrier Co-Workers/Asheboro Post  
Office

In Memory of: Bernard O'Neal  
By: Human Resources Department/Energizer  
Company

In Honor of: Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Slater and "Zeke"  
By: Barbara C. Loyd

In Honor and Memory of all VAS Survivors and Angels  
By: Greg, Ameer and Bud Stewart

In Memory of: Marie Morgan Yandle  
By: Glenda M. Frazier

In Memory of: "Maverick"  
By: Canine Corps/Carol Rich

In Memory of: "Midnight"  
By: The Harris Family (Kelly, Leigh, Jessica and  
Wade)

In Memory of: "Sammy"  
By: Betty Fulghum

In Memory of: "Sooty"  
By: Barbara Loyd

Asheboro Jaycees  
William P. Bizzell  
Canine Corps  
Dian Felder  
Ken and Debra Hinshaw  
Milly McCannless  
Katherine Pugh  
Russell G. Walker  
Malynda Shumaker  
L.T. Snead  
Anne Telgarez

### Low Cost Spay/Neuter

The Humane Society of Randolph County offers a **low cost spay/neuter service**. This service allows pet owners to spay/neuter their pets for **\$25.00**. (HSRC pays the difference on each animal!)

Please call 629-PETS, phone Line 1 or 2, and leave your name, phone number, address, type of pet (dog/cat - male/female) to schedule your pet for the next available truck. Space is limited for this is a very high demand service and appointments are scheduled on a first come first serve basis. All vaccines, including rabies, are \$5.00 each.

Take advantage of this service and make your pet a happy and healthy companion.

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Mr. Reder also told our members fascinating stories of his work on various HSUS cases, often cases involving animal cruelty and other illegal activities. During his many years of service, Mr. Reder has done such things as disguising himself and taking photos or videos with hidden cameras and even while flying in helicopters!

Mr. Reder was such an interesting, informative and fascinating speaker that our members were not ready to let him leave even after he had talked with us for almost two hours.

We will try to host Mr. Reder again, as his busy schedule permits, so if you missed his talk this time, please plan to attend his next one.

Submitted by - Janice Coakley

## Application for Membership

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Categories:

- Student/Senior Citizen \$10.00  
 Single \$20.00  
 Family \$25.00  
 Sponsor \$50-\$100.00  
 Patron \$101-\$500.00  
 Life Member one time payment of \$1000.00

I am already a member however, I would like to make a donation in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_

Single memberships entitle the member to one vote, all other memberships confer two member votes.  
Members must be present to vote.

Please mail the quarterly newsletter to me at the above address.

Please do not mail the newsletter, I prefer to read it at [www.hsrbcpets.org](http://www.hsrbcpets.org).

Mail this form, along with your check to:  
**The Humane Society of Randolph County**  
**PO Box 4384,**  
**Asheboro, NC 27204**

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What is a pet worth  
For no one can buy my cat  
For all of the money on earth  
No sum of money  
No, irregardless, large or small  
Can value what a pet is worth

By Eddie Hough  
HSRC Member



"Charity" (available for adoption)

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