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Thank you for your continued support. Without you, PAWS would not be able to do our work, rescuing at-risk dogs and cats, and serving the local community.

Please enjoy the stories in this newsletter, which include some personal background and perspective about PAWS and our operations. And as it is the end of the year, *please renew your membership if it's time for you.*

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Carole Michales
President, Board of Directors

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Adoptable Dogs



Meet Otis - lovable senior. Otis is looking for a single person or couple to love him and let him live out his senior years in peace. He doesn't hear well, and his old legs are stiff, but he's always ready and willing to go (especially if enticed by treats)! He loves car rides, naps and just hanging out. He gets along with most other dogs, but he's not looking for a playmate at his age. A bit of a curmudgeon, Otis is a self-described introvert and would rather retire to his crate or private room for a nap than host a social gathering/entertain guests. He is selective about who he welcomes into his inner circle and would be comfortable in a one- or two-person, low traffic home. He would enjoy a private yard and when in the mood can go for very short, slow walks around the block to cast judgement on the neighbors and

their landscaping choices. He REALLY wants to be adopted, so if you love older, lovable dogs who just want to be accepted for who they are, please consider Otis.

Meet Kiki - lovable & sweet. Kiki came to PAWS after being overlooked in a large city shelter for almost a year. She is beautiful, large, classic black & white velvet MooMoo cow and always ready to go with a wagging tail. Kiki got to spend time in a great foster home with Courtney @smartpawdogtraining. Kiki was able to decompress and relax outside of the kennel environment. She has been known to try to relive her old party girl ways and pop pills or steal food when kennel life isn't enough (lock your medicine cabinet!) but was very fulfilled being in a home and part of a family. She is housebroken, loves to snuggle and enjoys her training sessions (training = treats!). She enjoys walking with calm kennel friends she knows and will abide by the "stranger danger" rule with dogs she doesn't know. She loves her walks and is so excited initially she wants to play with the leash like an overgrown puppy...but often this big ole girl runs out of steam after she finishes her business, changes her mind and turns to head for home. She's about 8 years old, very food motivated, and though she can take treats gently, an adult home or teens and up is preferable because she is a big blue ribbon bovine beauty. We all LOVE this girl. Kiki is spayed, fully vetted and would LOVE to find a loving home with large dog experience where she can have people she can love and live a great life.





Meet Starla - great girl! Beautiful Starla is a Pittie Pie with a passion for fashion!! Whether wearing a onesie jammie set or a stylish unicorn rain coat this girl knows how to turn heads! How can a girl with such style remain overlooked?! She has been with us for some time and we all love this big strong girl. Starla had entropion, a condition where her eyelids were growing into her eyes and causing her pain and discomfort. Thanks to @RBARI in Oakland, her surgery was sponsored for both spay and eyes, and she looks and feels great. Starla is about 6 years old, friendly & sweet and she makes new men in her life work for her love. She walks well on leash, like to keep her yard clear of small furry creatures (squirrels beware!) and knows some basic commands. She is very food motivated and takes treats gently. She makes the best snorty sounds like a big velvet piggy and keeps us all laughing. During her stay with us, Starla has made several dog

friends and is a great pack walker. She has been very tolerant of some of the younger, exuberant dogs once she knows them as long as they don't get slobber on her outfit (she's good at doing that herself ☺). She would love a quiet, adult family that will give her a good balance of play time, couch time, a reasonable monthly allowance to buy cool outfits and treats.

Meet Josie - sweet beauty! We pulled beautiful Josie from a crowded shelter where she had been sitting past the stray hold without anyone coming to look for her. Josie was very timid initially, but sweet. Now she is excited to see all of us daily, and loves to go for walks. She stays right by your side on a walk. Josie had come to us with a skin infection for which she was treated, and she seems to be feeling and looking much better. Josie is about 1-2 years old, currently 53 lbs. She is long and lean, with beautiful black and white markings. She is gentle as well. She is a little wary of strangers and may bark, but once she knows they are okay, she is friendly. Once she bonds with you, she will be your little shadow, and loves the feeling of safety with her person(s). She is food-motivated and sits nicely for treats. Josie is eager to learn, knows basic commands and will make a loyal companion.





Meet Bella – a gem! This beautiful, young, sweet and active girl had been picked up as a stray, extremely thin and suffering from a painful ear infection. She is now happily living in a great foster home with Rich, and he reports that she is a great girl, very happy to be in a home. Sweet, responsive, housebroken and lovable, Bella will make a great companion for someone. She bonds quickly to her person and loves being a stage 5 clinger but also gives space and quiet time. Bella is a little brown and white velvet cow who would love nothing more than a pasture to call her own, (no matter how many times we tell her it's called a yard ☺). She would be happy to provide her services to keep your yard squirrel free in exchange for lots of fun

playtime chasing after balls/toys with you. She has great energy to match an active person that enjoys long walks before retiring to the couch for quality time with her favorite person (you!)

Meet Tito - loves everyone & other dogs! Left tied to an underpass in the inner city overnight in 27-degree weather Thanksgiving weekend, with a bowl, some food, a harness and nothing else... PAWS took him under our care with the help of Juliet, who offered to foster him. Talk about a dog who was so overjoyed to have a warm home and a huge yard in which to run... Juliet reports that Tito is so easy and accepting - he walked right into the shower to get cleaned off without a hitch! He's also smart -- knows basic commands and is learning more! We have had Tito to our vet, he's been examined, bloodwork taken (all normal) and vaccinated and will be neutered soon. He is a very sweet boy, extremely friendly and loving. Only 48 lbs. now, he needs to put a little weight on, but he is so ready to start a new life!



Meet Petey! Petey is a very handsome and affectionate three-legged 5-year-old male neutered pit bull, with a heart of gold! His story is upsetting because it is hard to imagine that this sweet boy, who adores human company and is so eager to please, has been confined to a kennel for the past 4 years.

Petey was found as a stray by animal control as a young dog. Petey was emaciated, with a hind leg that was so severely injured that it required amputation. Thanks to the vet hospital that brought him in, he was spared euthanasia and received the necessary care. Despite this, his



journey to find a loving home hit roadblocks. He next went to a boarding facility without much exposure to potential adopters, and Petey remained unclaimed. With the closure of this facility, Petey faces an uncertain future once again. The stress of confinement is taking a toll—he gets so excited to go on his walks, but returning to his kennel is hard for him.

While Petey is fantastic with adults, he would thrive in a pet-free environment without young children. He craves an active owner who enjoys walks and can dedicate time to his continued training. Although he's made impressive strides in leash manners, his strength sometimes gets the better of him, needing ongoing work in this area. He's up-to-date on vaccinations, heartworm tested, dewormed, neutered, and microchipped.

As you can tell from his pictures, Petey's eyes are so expressive; and communicates his deep longing for a place to call his own—a fenced in yard to frolic in and someone to shower him with love! It's awe-inspiring how, despite all the hardship he has been through, he is still so trusting and sweet. We have met Petey and want to help find him a great home. He will be a great companion!

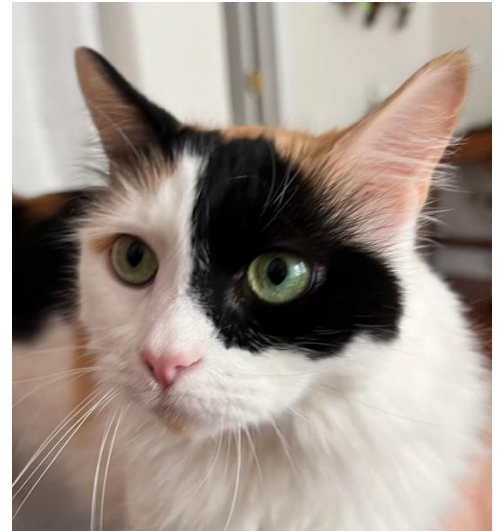
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Adoptable Cats



Meet Kiki! She was found in November, outside in Caldwell NJ. Her ear is tipped so we believe that she was being cared for and the feeders/owners moved and left her to fend for herself. She has adult teeth (estimated to be 1yr old or so). She is litter box trained. Kiki is a bit shy, but with gentleness and patience, she warms up quickly. She loves to lay on the bed and cuddle, and purrs loudly. She's truly a sweetheart. She is very curious, likes to play and groom herself. She's very sweet and a beautiful little cat who will thrive in a nice home. We brought her to our veterinarian and she does not have a microchip, but we believe she's spayed (as her left ear is clipped). She is negative for FELV/FIV and she is up to date on vaccinations. The finders were kind enough to bring her in and care for her until a permanent home can be found. Please consider giving Kiki a forever and warm home for the holidays!

Lulu is a sweet, loving adult calico in excellent health, up to date on all shots. She was adopted as a kitten about 9 years ago. In the past six months, her owner has been traveling extensively. Her husband passed away a year ago, so when she is gone, Lulu is alone. Lulu does not like to be alone for more than a day or two. Her owner is moving across the country in the spring of 2024 and cannot take Lulu with her. We are looking for a loving, stable home for her with an owner who does not travel extensively and has no other pets. She is shy among strangers but once she warms up, she is quite friendly. She is microchipped and litter box trained. Thank you for considering Lulu.



Meet Ebony! Ebony was found outside her foster's house wandering around and crying. She was immediately brought inside and quickly vetted. She is so sweet and loves to cuddle on the couch, and she is also so energetic and loves to play! Ebony is the sweetest cat but she does need a home without other pets so if you're looking for your first pet Ebony would be perfect! She is fully vetted and a very healthy kitty!



Meet Papas! Papas was a stray cat that was hanging around the neighborhood for a while. He is estimated to be around 4 or 5 years old. He seems to have been tossed out at some point because he is friendly. The finder/feeder brought him in and asked us for help. After examination and testing, Papas was found to be FIV+, has some irregularities with his kidney function and also a heart murmur. He also had a blood parasite which caused him to be anemic and he went through treatment for that. After a month of intensive care, he gained weight, his kidneys normalized for the most part and he was cleared of the parasite and red blood cells elevated. He also had an EKG and is on one pill for his heart condition. We keep him on a kidney diet and supplements to support him and he

gets his heart pill every day. Papas has been in a room alone through all of this so we don't know how he would do around other cats. He also will need an EKG every year to track his heart condition. We are looking for a permanent foster or adopter for this sweet fellow who deserves the loving comforts in a home. We will continue to provide the medical care for Papas if you decide to take him into your heart and home.

Meet Autumn! Autumn was found wandering outside a few months ago. She immediately was brought to safety and warmth. Then she was brought to the vet and checked for a microchip. None was found and she also was not spayed, so more than likely she had been abandoned by a neglectful owner. She has since been spayed and microchipped. She is negative for FELV and FIV and up to date on vaccinations. She is a wonderful cat, friendly and gets along with the foster family's other cats and their dog. She will make an excellent addition to your home and just in time for the holiday and new year!



Behind the Scenes of PAWS' Dog Operation

by Carole Michales

Fifteen years ago, at the end of 2008, PAWS had to vacate the facility on North Willow Street and go “virtual,” so we could continue our mission to help the homeless cats and dogs in ours and surrounding communities. It would be a transition that would bring us into the world of rescue, where our work would become more “boots on the ground” than ever before. Since we did not have a bricks-and-mortar facility of our own, animals didn’t just come to us, we ended up having to see who we could help, and go from there. Finding suitable fosters, not always easy, especially for dogs, became all-consuming. We also needed additional sheltering space, so we rented space up in Jefferson for a few years, making it work as best as we could until the property was sold. Then we were able to secure spots in a nice boarding kennel in Morris County.

Since it is a 40+ minute commute from our area, volunteers have not been willing or able to make the drive. I go every day to get our dogs out for walks, car rides, etc. away from the kennel environment. Luckily the kind kennel staff is there for feeding/administering meds and if I need them, to take the dogs into the play yards if there is a day I cannot make it there. For the past few years, I have had the good fortune to have a few volunteers from the area near the kennel join me, both some weekdays and on the weekends, and it has been great! Vance Bailey comes two or three days during the week and Joanna Gaebele comes faithfully on the weekends. Christine Boehm recently joined our group for one day a week, helping out between her job commitments. The dogs love them, and I am very grateful for their help.

The kennel is a busy place, with regular boarders and day care dogs, so we need to be vigilant when taking our dogs in and out. Being there so often, we get to know the “regulars” along with the rescue dogs from two other local rescues who also board some of their dogs there.

The process of rescuing a dog often begins with a call/email from one of the shelters we help, or from an individual seeking help. Because our spots are very limited, we need to assess which dog(s) we can help depending on their situation. Do they need special medical help? Do they need to get out of a dangerous environment? Will they be able to handle life in the kennel (as nice as it is) for whatever period of time is needed if a foster is unavailable? Will we be able to place them into a home or will they need long-term foster/compassionate care due to illness or age?

Whether surrendered by an owner or transferred in from another shelter, each dog we take gets the specific care needed to get closer to finding a suitable home. We tend to focus on those who are overlooked by other rescues and adopters because of their age, breed, size, or medical needs. So... we often have our rescues with us longer than many rescues who take in puppies or smaller dogs. When we do finally find the right home, we can be confident that it will work out, knowing the dogs as well as we do. Special thanks to Gail Ingalls, our adoptions counselor, for reviewing all applications and speaking with potential adopters.

Once we bring a dog into our rescue, his or her health is assessed by the generous veterinarians with whom we work. Spay/neuter, microchip, vaccines, and anything else that is needed is addressed. If we have a suitable foster, a dog may go directly into that foster home, or, come to the kennel first to be assessed if there is any concern about health or behavior. Behaviors in a kennel environment are often different than behaviors that show up in a home environment, thus fostering is really a great way to see how a dog will decompress. Some become more protective in a home environment, most just relax and enjoy the comforts.

With so many dogs being turned into shelters, or brought in as strays, it is very frustrating as a rescue, only being able to take in one or two at a time. But since we keep our volume low, we are able to provide those who come to us the very best care before adopting them out to their forever homes.

I have to note we have met the most wonderful adopters over the years. We get the most heartwarming updates, and we keep in touch with many of the adopters from adoption to the passing of the dog. Just recently one of our adopters of one of the pups of a very pregnant dog we rescued in 2011 contacted us that their beloved LaCie had passed away at age 12. I can still picture her as a newborn pup with her 8 littermates back then!

Dog Stories

Patty and Sammy. In 2019 we rescued a very large, older homeless hound for whom we thought would be easy to find a home. Well, three foster homes and almost two years later, through



several medical and as a result, behavioral issues, Sammy was welcomed into Patty Zirul and her family's home. It was a process with Sammy's issues. Patty had to monitor him closely with medications, get him out for several daily walks, and keep an eye on his quirky habits of constantly raiding trash cans and lifting toilet seat covers. But thankfully, there he remained as a long-term foster until his recent passing in September. Patty and Sammy bonded, many of his original bad habits had stopped/slowed and he had the most wonderful life. Sammy remained on medication to help him with his medical issues, and Patty kept up with everything. They went on all sorts of adventures together, both loving hiking and car rides together. Sammy passed away surrounded by his loved ones, and he is missed every day by Patty and her family.

Christina and Hamz. We pulled senior "Hemi" from AHS Newark in the spring of 2022. He had been surrendered there at the age of 15... He stayed a short time at the kennel, mostly spending the days sleeping and scaring the staff at times because he slept so soundly (we realized he was very hard of hearing), That summer, Christina Bellini contacted us about fostering Hemi as she had lost her beloved Roxie and wanted to help another dog. His named morphed into "Hami, Hamilton, Hamz Sammich, and finally, Hamz DiSammichio. Hamz is living a charmed life, being pampered and cared for by Christina and is now an official family member. At 16, he requires some special care, which Christina patiently gives him. She shares his antics with me, as well as the wonderful photos and videos she takes of him. He remains a power napper at home, which is to be expected at his age!





Daniel and Rocky. Daniel contacted us wanting to foster or adopt a senior dog. His goal was to take a dog nobody wanted to adopt and give that dog the best life ever. He is accomplishing his mission with Rocky, a dog we pulled for him out of AHS Newark in the late summer. Rocky was shut down, didn't really connect with anyone, just a beaten-down guy. He had been surrendered at 11 years old by someone who did not want to care for him any longer. Daniel met me at the Newark shelter and Sherri, the rescue coordinator, introduced Rocky to Daniel. Daniel is also a retired U.S. Marine, and he hoped Rocky would be his emotional support dog, and now the two of them are a team. Rocky has blossomed into a loving dog, always keeping Daniel in his sights, following him everywhere. Daniel continues to work with him,

Cash. At 7 years old, Cash had been surrendered to the Newark shelter emaciated at 47 lbs (he filled out to his 75 lb frame in following months). When we pulled him from the shelter, he had thyroid issues, degenerative arthritis in his front leg probably due to trauma at some point, but none of this kept Cash from enjoying his life to the fullest (at least living it in the kennel). We spent daily time in the yard where he couldn't wait to play fetch. He was the BEST - always bringing back the ball or object to me and then sitting for a treat, or going through his entire repertoire of sitting, giving me his paw, and then lying down. He was so exuberant about everything and kept me laughing daily. He loved walking with the other dogs, though we tried to keep the walks shorter because of his arthritis. He was such a joy. No applications, as the limp was very evident and I suppose put a damper on any interest... he was a large dog as well. BUT he was good with all the dogs he met, and we knew we could take him anywhere. We were invited to join another rescue group, a cat rescue Angels of Animals, at a grand opening of a new pet supply store, and I brought Cash. He rocked the event! So many people of all ages, so many dogs, it was very busy and tight quarters, but Cash proved himself an ambassador of his breed. It was a great afternoon, and Cash and I drove back to the kennel tired and happy. But a week later, I got a call from the kennel staff



early in the morning that Cash was found dead in his kennel. I could not believe it. But there he was. Dr. Stanisci at West Caldwell Animal Hospital did a necropsy for me, revealing that Cash had an undetected splenic mass that ruptured and he bled out. This was a week after losing Breeze, a very ill senior dog we pulled from Newark who was riddled with lymphoma and only lived a week with us. These dogs are our hearts, and it crushes us any time we lose one. The only saving grace is that they knew they had love and a family with us.



Oni. Surrendered to AHS Newark at 10+ years of age, this poor girl rapidly lost weight, and the shelter vet diagnosed her with diabetes that needed to get treated asap. The shelter wasn't a good place to monitor her condition, with over 200 dogs there. PAWS offered to pull Oni if a foster could be found who could manage her illness, and we were so grateful when Tricia and Alex Cifelli stepped up. Tricia is a vet tech, so we knew Oni would be in the best hands. Trying to get some weight on her and regulate Oni's insulin levels proved to be difficult but she finally started gaining weight...until Tricia discovered Oni had a mass growing on the roof of her mouth. Diagnostics showed a cancerous tumor that was inoperable and rapidly growing. It was unexpected and upsetting, and when Oni's quality of life quickly deteriorated, Oni crossed the Rainbow Bridge peacefully. We thank Tricia

and Alex for taking Oni into their family for her final days.

They have graciously taken another senior dog, Albert, we pulled from AHS Newark and will let him comfortably live out his golden days/months/years? The family also has another PAWS dog, Carly, they fostered for us years ago who became a permanent member of their pack and has been living a full and happy life.

Breeze. Breeze had been surrendered to AHS Newark at 12 years of age by his family who had him since he was a pup, they said. He was riddled with hard lumps, large and small – I have never seen anything like it, but he was the sweetest old guy who needed to get out of the shelter.

We got him in right away to see Dr. Danci Mock of West Caldwell Animal Hospital. She took aspirates of the lumps, and X-rays for which Breeze was really accepting. The results came back the next morning -- lymphoma and it was bad. We put a plan in place for Breeze's treatment, and I started to plan how I would set him up to live at my home for his remaining days, but he passed away on his own overnight before we had the chance. At the very least, he knew he was loved. He was welcoming to everyone he met, as sick as he must have felt – he was definitely happy to be a part of our group.



The resiliency and inner strength of dogs will never cease to amaze me. He kept going strong until the disease finally shut his body down. Though it was a short time we had together, we will always remember Breeze with love.

Happy Tails – Adopted



Cat Operation & Updates

PAWS' cat operation is focused on surrender prevention, and prefers not to take cats into our sanctuaries except in extreme cases. With our surrender prevention program, we try to help owners figure out ways to keep their cats instead of turning them into shelters by providing advice food and veterinary care on a case-by-case basis. Our adoptions are limited to a few rescuers who foster cats they have taken into their care, and we provide the outlet to find homes.

There still is a group of over 30 cats in our sanctuary care who have been deemed unadoptable, and are being sheltered and cared for in that environment. Many have behavior/medical issues or are unsocialized and prefer to spend their days quietly sequestered.

Squirt is one of our resident cats. He and his sister, Squeak, came to us about 12 years



ago as kittens. He's been healthy until a few months ago when we noticed he was drinking more water and urinating more than usual. He was examined by a veterinarian and determined that he had a high glucose (sugar) level in both his blood and urine and was diagnosed to have feline diabetes. He was started on a newly marketed medication (Bexacat™) instead of insulin. It comes as a tablet, which is easier to give him than insulin injections because he can be difficult to handle. He takes the tablets readily in his food. He has to be confined though to make sure only he gets the medication. He is doing much better after a month on treatment, as his blood glucose has returned to normal. We would like to get him a larger "walk-in" enclosure so he can have more space and an occasional visitor.

Feline diabetes is common in cats. The risk of a cat developing diabetes can increase due to: Obesity which is a significant risk factor for feline diabetes because excessive weight increases insulin resistance, making it more difficult for cells to absorb sugar from the bloodstream and leads to elevated blood sugar levels. Obese cats are also more likely to develop other related health problems, such as high blood pressure; Age is another significant risk factor for feline diabetes, as cats age they become less active and are prone to weight gain; Male cats are twice as likely to be diagnosed with diabetes than female cats; a few cat breeds have an increase chance of diabetes (e.g., Russian Blue).

Symptoms of feline diabetes include: Increased urination, Weight loss despite a healthy appetite; excessive thirst; and decreased energy and interest in surroundings. If you see or suspect your cat showing any of these symptoms, please take them to your veterinarian. Diagnosing feline diabetes involves testing your cat's blood sugar levels, but your vet may also need to rule out other diseases with similar symptoms, such as urinary tract infections, chronic kidney disease, pancreatitis and hyperthyroidism. Additionally, cats with uncontrolled diabetes may, in rare cases, suffer from hind limb nerve damage, causing them to adopt a 'plantigrade' stance (walking or standing with their heels near the ground).

Ultimately preventing diabetes is the best approach, so if you have an older or overweight cat, it is essential to promote cat weight loss by managing their diet and ensuring they get enough exercise to help reduce the risk of feline diabetes, even as they age.

Medical Updates



Leo continues to do well, months after his dentistry. His stomatitis has nearly resolved and he is pain free and eating well again.



Bobby is doing well too. He has not had a recurrence of his major urinary problems. He continues to be one of our favorites. We are happy we could help this wonderful and friendly kitty.

Happy Cat Tails: Adopted!





Spice and Beau



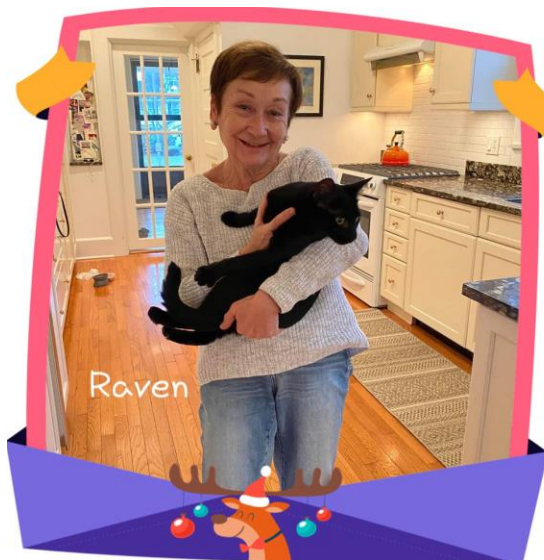
Prince William
(Formerly Franklin)



Miracle



Baby Billy (Formerly Furby)



Raven



Gracie

News & Events

In early June, we held our PAWS for the Cause Walkathon, which raised over \$12,700. The in-person walkers enjoyed a beautiful relaxed day at Edgemont Memorial Park in Montclair. Those who wanted to walk but were unavailable to come in person on June 3, signed up for a virtual walk, which they completed at their convenience.



A big THANK-YOU to our business sponsors for this event: [Morris Animal Inn](#), [Smart Paws Dog Training](#), [Bristol Private Wealth Management of Raymond James](#), [Gearty & McIntyre, LLP](#), [West Caldwell Animal Hospital](#), [Stirling Smiles](#), and [Shelter Helpers on Wheels](#).



And of course, a big THANK-YOU to our Walker-Fundraisers, as well as all who supported them.

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**High Fundraiser*



October 7 was Blessing of the Animals. A big THANK YOU to David Drislane, Rev. Mother Diana Wilcox, and all who joined us in the wonderful Blessing of the Animals at Christ Episcopal Church Bloomfield-Glen Ridge this rainy morning! We look forward to this annual event as we get to see many friends, both two and four-legged, as well as meet new friends. Mother Diana is so warm and welcoming to all, and the service is beautiful. She noted that it is amazing how the attending dogs, after their initial excitement entering the church, quiet down during the service. She also "welcomes all creatures at the regular Sunday 10:30 service!"

A special thank you to Christ Church for presenting PAWS with a check for \$400.00 to help us in our mission to help homeless animals. We are truly blessed to have this support. And thank you to the generous donors who gave both product and monetary donations to PAWS.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7
10:00 AM**

Christ Church in Bloomfield & Glen Ridge

Bring your pets and come join us for a special blessing! All types of critters are welcome--from dogs to fish to gerbils to cats. Even stuffed animals or pictures of your pets (for those that don't travel well) can be blessed.

All donations collected will be given to PAWS Montclair. You may donate by check (note PAWS in the memo line) or give online through our donation page by clicking on the animal ministry page. Please donate and support their great work!

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In early November we held our Holiday Bazaar & Tricky Tray at the Commonwealth Club in Montclair. Over 100 prizes were donated to our Tricky Tray, plus we received cash donations that covered the event expenses, and raised \$8,200 to go directly towards animal care.



Thanks to everyone who came out to enjoy the day and support PAWS. We especially want to thank all the businesses and individuals who donated prizes or cash, and our amazing volunteers and bakers.

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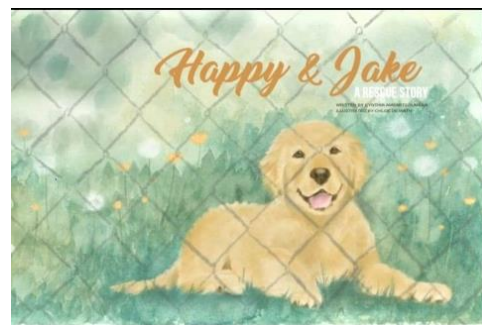
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- Participate in cash for critters recycling
- Maybe someone on your Holiday list would enjoy a dog storybook by a local author. Montclair author, Cynthia Ambartsoumean, has written a rescue storybook, and is donating a portion of the proceeds to PAWS. Cynthia works for [Rocklin Opticians](#) in Montclair. Rocklin has books available for sale in the store.





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