



Friends of Colleton County Animal Shelter (FoCCAS)

Spring 2013

Dear Friends,

As usual, FoCCAS is busy doing all we can to increase the number of animals that leave the shelter with the hope of a better life and to make life better for the animals who are still there. In the wake of another successful Paws At The Plantation fundraiser, we have taken another 20 animals to Maine, instituted a community spay/neuter discount voucher program and even held a few Adopt-A-Thons. As I write this letter, many of you have received a letter from us asking you to renew your membership. Please take the time to renew soon! We need to maintain a strong membership, not only for your financial support, but also to make a strong showing for grant applications and community presence. Membership also demonstrates a commitment to our mission and purpose. I hope you will show your support by returning the renewal form right away.

In January, we were fortunate to add 4 new directors to our Board. Our Board of Directors works very hard to oversee the resources with which we are entrusted. This is one of many ways that someone can take part in our wonderful life-saving efforts. Volunteers are our life-blood. No one in our organization receives compensation for what they do. We welcome anyone and everyone who wants to volunteer. What would you like to do? Do you have a talent or skill that you would like to employ? Could you spare a couple of hours a month to save an animal's life? Could you take a puppy or dog to a vet appointment? Maybe you could foster a puppy, dog or kittens for a month or so until it can be transported to safety and a new life? There are also things that don't require working with the animals. For instance, we need ambassadors to man our information table at the Farmers Market and other venues and people who can pick up donations and take them to the shelter.

FoCCAS has come so far in such a short time, thanks to the generosity of people who give their time, talents and resources to help advance our mission. I feel honored to serve as your President.

For the animals,

Laura Clark

Paws at the Plantation 2 A Great Success!

Paws at the Plantation 2, held at Paul and Dalton Plantation on March 2, 2013, raised \$10,000 for FoCCAS's community spay/neuter program and for the Puppy Transport to Maine. We would like to thank Linda and Tony Bakker for their generosity and constant support for the animals of Colleton County.



Top: music by Bells Highway
Middle left: John and Gale Peek
Middle right: Laura Clark, Linda Bakker and Ashley Wood
Bottom: Silent Auction



Dinner at Zaxby's for FoCCAS

The Walterboro Zaxby's will be donating proceeds from dinner sales on Monday, May 13; Monday, June 10 and Monday, July 8. Already this year Zaxby's has donated several hundred dollars to the animals of Colleton County.

Save The Date:

Saturday, May 18 12:00 - 4:00 pm
Adopt-A-Thon @ Waltherboro Petco

Saturday, June 15 12:00 – 4:00 pm
Adopt-A-Thon @ Jones Vacuum Center

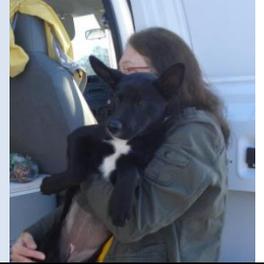
Wednesday, June 19 6:30 pm
Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
Colleton Museum and Farmers Market

Saturday, July 13 12:00 – 4:00
Adopt-A-Thon @ Waltherboro Petco

Saturday, August 17 12:00 – 4:00
Adopt-A-Thon @
Waltherboro Tractor Supply Company

Spotlight on Volunteers

Our foster families are a vital part of our transport to Maine. Without them, the puppies, dogs and kittens would not be able find forever homes. These families give love and shelter to the animals and FoCCAS pays for the food, vaccines and vet costs for each animal. Thank you to Caroline Hooker, Becky Hooker, Benji Kennedy, Wendy Lee, Kim Bridge, Deborah Knights, Brittany Craven, Kristen Pierce, Cynthia Roberson, Audra Hudson, Jessica Cable, Mallory Crawford, Catherine Herrera, Donna French, Sandy Walker Thomas, Billie Clark, Dawn Allen, Linda Kelly, Dianne Hill and their families.



Saying goodbye!

Puppy (and Kitten) Transport

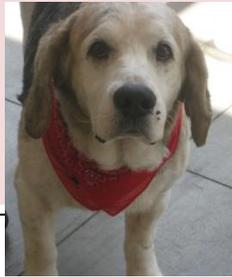
The next transport to Maine take place on June 7. FoCCAS has saved the lives of 52 animals and will transport another 17 puppies and kittens on the next transport. The Animal Welfare Society in Kennebunk, Maine is able to provide homes for our animals because local spay/neuter programs have eliminated unwanted animals in Maine. FoCCAS is thrilled to have this partnership with the Animal Welfare Society.



These three sweeties are going to Maine in June. If you'd like to support them or their friends please donate at www.foccas-sc.org or mail check to 33 Poor Farm Rd, W'boro

Rice Festival Dog Show and Dog Photo Contest

Over 100 people came out to watch the Rice Festival Dog Show. Winners included Snoopy in the senior division, Presley in the puppy division, Princess in the purebred division, and Sammie in the "Heinz 57" division.



Thanks Bi-Lo!

Bi-Lo in Waltherboro has again supported FoCCAS through raffles for an outdoor benches, a case of Cheerwine, Nascar cutouts and accepting donations at the checkout. FoCCAS is thankful for the support of Store Manager Robbie Smoak and all the employees at Bi-Lo.

Spay/Neuter Discount Vouchers Available

Spaying or neutering your pets saves lives and prevents overcrowding at our shelter. FoCCAS has introduced spay/neuter vouchers for Colleton County residents to receive \$25 off the surgery at local vets and SNAC. A limited number of vouchers are available each month and can be picked up at the shelter or during the monthly FoCCAS Adopt-A-Thons.

Shelter in Need of Donations

The shelter is currently in need of kitty litter (just plain clay is great), IAMS dry puppy food, paper towels and Dawn dishwashing liquid. If you are able to donate these (or anything else on our wish list), the **shelter** is open from 11:00 – 4:00 on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri and 9:00 – 12:00 on Saturday. Also, several businesses in Waltherboro have volunteered to serve as drop off locations: **Trinkets and Treasures, Off The Wall and Sweet Dreams and Jelly Beans** (all on E. Washington), the **Colleton Museum and Farmers Market**, and **Jones Vacuum Center** at 773 N. Jefferies. Thank you for your support of the animals of Colleton County!