



Friends of Colleton County Animal Shelter (FoCCAS)

Spring 2014

Dear Friends,

As we approach our annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on June 25th, I find myself reflecting on the topic of appreciation. Really, when you think about it, we all have an inner need to feel appreciated. It inspires us, motivates us, and renews us when someone else takes notice of our work. FoCCAS and the animal shelter are so fortunate to have a group of dedicated volunteers who give of their time and talents to carry out our various programs and efforts to make our county a better place for pets. Without their work, we would accomplish nothing but conjuring up a lot of big ideas! From the group who guides our organization by serving on the board, to the lady who bakes cookies to thank our supporters, we each play an important role in the success of our organization. Thank you, each and every one of you, for your support. Whether you write a check, tell a friend, play with a furry friend at the shelter, or serve on the board, we appreciate you! The dogs and cats appreciate you! The shelter staff appreciate you! Man that feels good! I will leave you with this final thought: John F. Kennedy said, "As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them." So, off I go to the shelter. Hope to see you all at the dinner!

Laura Clark
President

Walterboro Walk & Wag Saturday, September 20 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

FoCCAS is proud to announce the Walterboro Walk & Wag, an event for the entire family. An informational festival will be held in the courthouse parking lot with a free lunch to everyone wearing our Walk & Wag t-shirt. Guided tours for families and their pets through the Walterboro Wildlife Sanctuary at 10:15, 10:45 and 11:15.

Individual sponsorships for \$50 can recognize a person or your favorite pet on our new t-shirts. Business sponsorships and tables at the festival are also available. T-shirts are included with sponsorships or can be purchased individually for \$12 before August 15.

Watch for more details on email, Facebook and in our local papers.

Volunteer Orientation

Volunteer Orientation will be held on Saturday, June 14 @ 9:00 at the Colleton County Animal Shelter. This one hour orientation will be followed by an optional animal handling class.

Paws at the Plantation 3 raised over \$8000

Thank you to Frank and Nina Burke, and to everyone who came out to Paws at the Plantation, sponsored the event or donated to the silent auction. A beautiful evening at Ravenwood Plantation generated over \$8000 for the animals of Colleton County.



Volunteer Appreciation Dinner Wednesday, June 25

FoCCAS will be recognizing the wonderful work all our volunteers do throughout the year on Wednesday, June 25 at the Colleton Museum and Farmers Market. Doors open at 6:00, dinner will be served at 6:30 and the program will start at 7:00.

We appreciate everything all of you do for FoCCAS and the animals of Colleton County!

Please join us!

Upcoming Events

Saturday, June 14
Volunteer Orientation
Colleton County Animal Shelter
9:00 am

Saturday, June 21
Adopt-A-Thon
Jones Vacuum Center in Walterboro
12:00 – 4:00 pm

Wednesday, June 25
Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
Colleton Museum and Farmers Market
6:00 pm
Dinner served at 6:30; Program at 7:00
RSVP to foccas.sc@gmail.com
or call Caroline at 843 893-2126

Spotlight on Volunteers

A special thanks to three generous ladies who are shelter volunteers. MaryWynn Chamblin, Janell Gregory and Beth Maeyer are the new rescue coordinators at the Colleton County Animal Shelter. While you will not see them at work, you may have noticed fewer dogs at the shelter. These women are working with several rescue organizations and helping many animals find forever homes through transport and rescue.

Thank you MaryWynn, Janell and Beth!

Rice Festival Dog Show

Over 25 dogs and their owners participated in the FoCCAS/Rice Festival Dog show on April 26. Thanks to the Colleton Museum and Farmers Market for hosting the event. More than 150 people came out to see the show.

Volunteers Needed:

Adopt-A-Thon coordinator and Informational table volunteers

If you are interested, please contact Sarah at 843-635-5206 or email foccas.sc@gmail.com



SNAC offers Feral Cat Program

The Lowcountry Spay Neuter Clinic (SNAC) offers vaccinations, testing and spaying/neutering for feral cats to be returned to their habitat.

Residents of Colleton County who are concerned about feral cats in their neighborhoods can borrow cat traps from the Animal Shelter. These traps will allow the cat to be transported to the vet safely.

The feral cat program is \$50 and SNAC will accept the FoCCAS \$25 vouchers to reduce out of pocket expenses to \$25. SNAC can be reached at 843 645-2500.



Happy Tails

Contributed by Lynn Cresse

Ms. Andrea was a senior citizen living in assisted living. She had difficulty walking, and was lonely, and suffering from depression. Laverne was a shaggy adult stray about 1 ½ years old found wandering the streets with her sister Shirley.

Once they met, a bond was instant. Now Laverne is called Dixie. Miss Andrea credits her with saving her life. "Dixie demands that I walk her up to four times each day. My orthopedic doctor noticed I'd improved in my ability to get around and credits our routine with that. Dixie loves everybody and my neighbors light up when they see her. Some even buy her toys." There is no doubt that Ms. Andrea and Laverne (now Dixie) have saved each other.

Spay/Neuter Vouchers

FoCCAS offers \$25 discount vouchers for spay/neuter surgeries at local vets and SNAC. Vouchers are available at the Colleton County Animal Shelter and FoCCAS Adopt-A-Thons.