



PAWS FOR THE NEWS

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Parson and Scooby Join Us This Month

Parson is a wonderful little **Yorkie** who recently came to **Praying for Paws**. He has a terrific personality and already has several applications for adoption. **Scooby** is a sweet **Lab** who loves everyone. We hope that both of these great dogs find a home very soon!



Parson



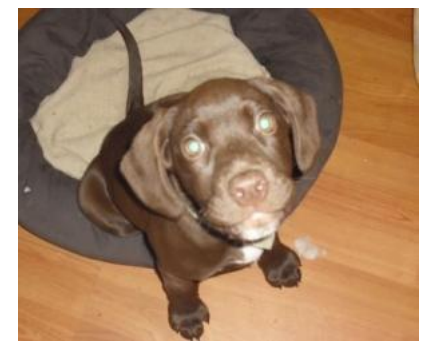
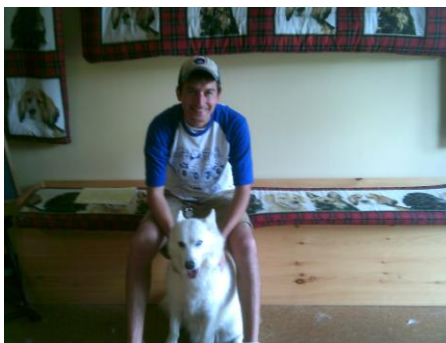
Scooby

Three Adoptions Last Month!



Lexi goes home!

Roxy will be living on the beach in South Carolina



Milo, our sweet Lab puppy, has a new family of his own.



Transport Updates and Happy Tails



Stumpy, one of our favorite residents, was recently transported to **Maine**, where he was quickly adopted. His new owner has been sharing **Stumpy's** new life on her blog and shared these photos. He has quickly adjusted to his new home and is a very happy boy!



Toby and **Casey** were transported to **Maine** back in 2009. They were adopted, within a few months of each other, by the same family. Both dogs had endured a tough life before coming to **Praying for Paws**, but as you can see, they have found a wonderful home! They love each other and are best friends. They have also learned to enjoy the snow. We are so grateful to **Alpha Dog Rescue** for helping us place these great boys and so many other dogs!

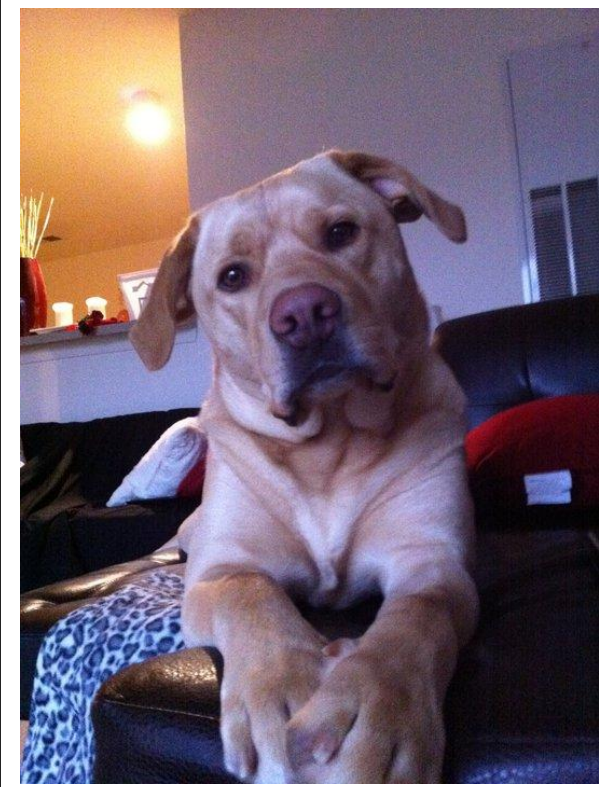




Dawson's Great Life



Dawson was transported to **Maine** in 2009. We knew that he had been adopted quickly but never knew any details about his new life. Recently, we were contacted by his owner, **Stephanie**, who shared his adoption story and update below. We are so happy for **Dawson**!



I go to law school in **Lynchburg, VA** at **Liberty University**. Two summers ago, I was staying up in **New Hampshire** with my boyfriend, and we had to put my first puppy, **Paisley**, to sleep. I was heartbroken, so I immediately started looking for a new dog. I searched **Petfinder** for a couple of weeks, and then I came across an ad for **Dawson**. I called **Alpha Dog Rescue** and set up a visit. **Dawson** was running outside, and I was amazed that he actually came when they called his name! It was love at first sight, so I took him home a couple of days later. It didn't take long to find out he was EXTREMELY mischievous (He is like **Marley's** clone). He was so smart that he would open cabinets and get his treats out. It's funny though, because he was always eager to please, and the two of us instantly bonded. He responds well to positive reinforcement, so I think he really likes my gentle way of training. I got him on some really good food, and now he looks like he could almost pass for an **English Lab** showdog! **Dawson** and I went back to **Virginia** at the end of the summer, and we have been study buddies ever since. He has a best friend down here, **Barkley**, and they love to play and romp around with each other when we have campfires at our friends' house in the woods. He loves to visit my family in **New Jersey** during the holidays too, where his "grandma" spoils him with treats and my brother, **Bryant**, plays with him in the yard for hours. Everyone compliments me on how smart, well-behaved, and handsome he is!

Thanks so much for taking care of him while he was in **Georgia**. I'm so glad we were brought together.



Featured Pets



Lizzie is a **Malamute** mix puppy who is about six months old. Even though she is still very young, **Lizzie** is unusually calm and well-behaved. She loves everyone and plays well with other dogs. If you are looking for a low-maintenance dog who will adapt quickly to your household, check her out today!

Bella is a **Lab** mix who is about two years old. She really enjoys playing with other dogs and has a lot of energy. She is a happy girl who loves everyone. **Bella** has been with us for several months and is ready for her forever home!



THANK YOU to **Girl Scout Troop 358**! These girls sold cookies and bought 200 pounds of food to donate to our rescue group. The troop delivered the food last week and spent some time meeting the dogs. **Roxy**, pictured below, had a great time meeting her new friends and getting lots of love from them.



Congratulations to Valerie Leather-Dzbynski



One of our former volunteers and foster parents, **Valerie Leather-Dzbynski**, recently became a mom. **Sloane Riley** was born on May 5th at 12:50 pm, weighing 7 lbs. and 8 oz. Prior to her move to **Maryland**, **Valerie** contributed so much to our organization and continues to support us long-distance. She adopted her foster dogs, **Petey** and **Shorty**, when she moved. Congratulations to **Valerie** and her husband, **Mark**!

Happy Birthday to **Tanya**! **Tanya Ward** recently celebrated her birthday with the other staff members at **The Paw Pad** and **Praying for Paws**. **Tanya** is a long-time employee who performs many critical duties at our organization. She works tirelessly to care for the dogs, facilitate adoptions and so much more!



Sparky (left), owned by **Michelle Farris**, passed away on April 27th. He was diagnosed with renal failure last summer and lived much longer than expected. **Sparky** was rescued in **October, 2005**, after being returned to a shelter by his first adoptive family. He was a sweet boy who loved to roll in the grass, swim, chew on rawhide bones and go on walks. He liked his treats a little too much! He enjoyed the last six years very much and will be greatly missed.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who participated in the recent Pet Expo in **McDonough**. We appreciate your help! The dogs had a great time, and we hope that it continues to raise awareness for **Praying for Paws** and the importance of adopting rescue dogs.

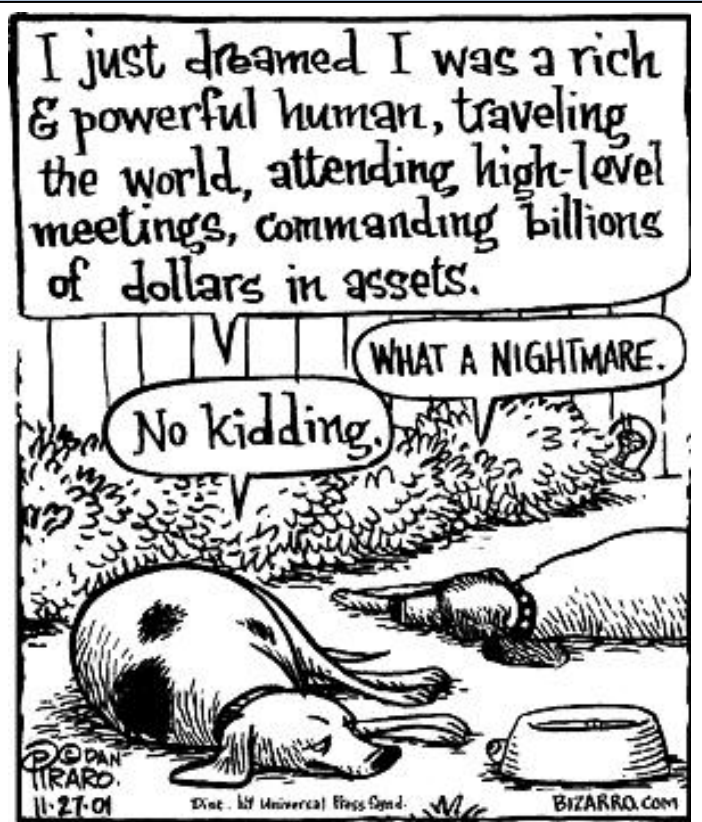


Please continue to help us with dog food and treat donations! We need them every month. Our dogs eat Pedigree dry food and Beggin' Strips bacon treats. You can drop off at The Paw Pad on Jonesboro Road.

Mark Your Calendars!

The 34th annual McDonough Geranium Festival will take place on Saturday, May 21st. We need volunteers to walk adoptable dogs during the event. If you can help, let us know. We need about 15 volunteers to make it a successful day.

You can support **Praying for Paws** every month by making a tax-deductible online donation. Just go to our website, www.prayingforpaws.com to donate online. If you prefer to mail a check directly, you can send it to our address on the website or to **The Paw Pad**. Our monthly expenses continue to grow as we have been at full capacity since last summer. Your help is greatly appreciated!



Are you ready for summer vacation? It's time to make reservations now for your travel plans at **The Paw Pad**. Your pet will receive top-notch care and lots of love at our facility. We offer 24/7 staff, grooming, doggie daycare, a cattery, luxury suites, doggie cams and lots of TLC from every employee. Check out our website at www.georgiapawpad.com for more information. You will love us, and your pet will, too!

