



A Warren County Day Of Giving
WARRENgives
Mark your calendar for the 2022 event: **May 18, 2022**

PAWS Heals Mind Body and Soul

After the medical care PAWS provides each pet, we then turn to enriching the lives of the animals that are waiting for their forever home. Our new program is exciting for staff, volunteers and pets at PAWS. In January our quest to rehabilitate each pet's whole health began to take a new turn. We wanted to do more and provide more for all the animals at PAWS. The exciting part is, these ideas can also be used at home with your pets. To help fight boredom and help reduce their time in cages, our enrichment program addresses not only their physical health, but also meshes their emotional and mental health with puzzles and activities that



Merci plays in the pool of balls looking for treats

are fun. There is more interaction with humans. Think about Volunteering! The shelter is a stressful place no matter what we do to change that fact. There is so much stimuli that can cause stress. Dogs barking, cats meowing, people walking in and out, cleaning routines going on, etc. Every dog and cat handles stress differently, but what they all have in common is the need for some type of normal family life, one-on-one attention. Enrichment games allow them to interact and use their minds. Just 10-15 minutes of mental stimulation will expend as much energy as a 30-minute walk. This can help them rest more comfortably. These activities help reduce the stress in their cages to help

reduce negative behaviors. Enrichment is essential in every pet's life and our volunteers and staff are embracing our new techniques to prepare these mind puzzles. It is not just fun, it is lifesaving! There is no better time to become a **volunteer** and there are things you can do from home to help. If you can't walk, you can work with our pets with enrichment activities. Pupsicles, snuffle mats, lick mats, pool of balls, treat puzzles and much more. In a few short months, we have noticed huge changes their ability to play and be dogs and cats.

Call for more information. 814-726-1961 or go to www.PawsAlongtheRiver.org

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Sweeter Side of Life....

As our pets age, sometimes, our plans for their forever are changed unexpectedly. PAWS has had the privilege of meeting some very special senior dogs that have found themselves looking for a home due to no fault of their own. Pita, Bella, Klaus and Merci were all 10 plus in age and all of them had unforeseen circumstances bringing them to us for a second chance. Luckily, all have found exceptional homes during the past few months, one as far away as Rhode Island, but are now living their retirement years with loving families. Pita and Bella's owner was in a fatal car accident. Klaus' owner passed away just before Christmas and his family trusted PAWS to find that perfect match, we did. Merci was being bullied in her home by other dogs and the family lovingly asked us to find her a new situation. PAWS cares for all animals, no matter what the age. Our reputation for matching brings us wonderful pets of all ages, to find them another home. We were so blessed to have several wonderful homes offered for these seniors. All of them needed some type of veterinary care before adoption, which we provided to them. Your donations help defray those costs so PAWS can provide the pets with a new home.

Make plans in your will and with family members as to your wishes for what happens to your pets if you can no longer care for them. PAWS is always here to help find them a new situation. Giving second chances and even third chances is what we do. Our promise is to find a responsible new owner who will care for them as you would want.



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We could not do it without Volunteers, and the animal loving friends that come visit



Slow Down and Volunteer!

In this hectic lifestyle many of us live each day and thinking of adding another thing to do seems overwhelming. We understand and “get -it”. However, the act of volunteering is something that can actually slow down your busy schedule. Think about one or two hours of your time one time a week or every other week. Time spent doing something that makes you feel good is time for yourself. We have so many volunteer opportunities at the shelter and our Thrift shop. Volunteering is a way to SLOW DOWN YOUR LIFE- and making a difference for the animals in our community. For more information call our volunteer coordinator Barbi Zingone 814-726-1961



Great Kids Doing Great Things!



We had a few special visitors this winter

Jefferson DeFrees Family Center PreK visited us with donations for their “Kindness Drive”.

January 17th marked Betty White’s 100th Birthday, Pack 6 and family stopped in to donate 100 items in her honor on their way to enjoy the snow sledding at Beaty.



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Enrichment Supply Wish List

Canned Pumpkin (not pie filling)
Paper towel & toilet paper rolls
Hot dogs, Apples, Yogurt – Vanilla
Chicken and Beef Low Sodium Broth
Volunteers to prepare enrichment activities

Shelter and Shop Wish List

Dish and Laundry Soap
Lint Rollers, Clorox wipes
Copy paper, Purina puppy and kitten chow
Volunteers to help at our Thrift Shop
Gift Cards for Kwik Fill, Tractor Supply and Walmart



Opie is working hard for the treats hidden in his Kong Bone. Opie has been busy learning new skills with his enrichment games, and would love to show his fur-ever family what he has learned!

You can also find our wish list on these sites, and they will deliver right to us

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chewy.com
where pet lovers shop

iGive.com
Change online shopping for good.

Win the Flea War!!

Here we go, spring is here and with the warmer weather, fleas and ticks come out. Fleas carry diseases such as tapeworms and Lyme's disease. Although tapeworms are not actually transmitted through flea bites, the fleas often carry tapeworm eggs. Lyme disease is present in Warren County and many dogs test positive for Lyme. Plan a year- round parasite program with your veterinarian for your pets. Protect your home, yard and treat infestations immediately. CAUTION! Misapplication of flea and tick medications are the third highest cause of pet poisoning! Read all instructions and follow them exactly.



Loki loves his peanut butter lick mats and works hard to get it all! Loki is a smart and loving boy that would love to meet his fur-ever family!



Grapes, Raisins and Dogs... Oh My!

An alumni of PAWS, recently ate some raisin cookies given by a family member which resulted in the loss of the pet. Did you know about this toxic food for dogs? All grapes, raisins and currants, such as trail mix, granola, cereal, etc. can be deadly to your dog. There is a toxic agent in grapes and raisins that is harmful and even deadly.



What should you do if your dog eats grapes or raisins? Call the **Pet Poison Helpline (800-213-6680)** and seek medical attention from a licensed veterinarian immediately. Your pet may begin to vomit, show signs of lack of appetite, lethargy, possible diarrhea within 12-24 hours. The severe signs are acute kidney failure and a possible fatal outcome.

Other toxic foods for dogs are onions, garlic, alcohol, chocolate, cocoa, macadamia nuts, fattening food, and foods containing sugar, alcohol, sweetener, xylitol can be fatal.



Staff member Lauri Hinderman gives some TLC to Tony

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Summer Safety Tips for Pets

1. Never leave a pet unattended in a car on a warm or sunny day.
2. Be sure to keep pets up-to-date on their vaccinations and other preventative medications.
3. Keep cats indoors.
4. Beware of cocoa mulch and other gardening products.
5. Plan your walks with your dog in early morning or later evening when it is cooler.
6. Keep pet rabbits indoors, they don't tolerate the heat.
7. Never tether a dog outdoors unattended. Obey the laws.
8. Keep pets properly restrained inside the vehicle when travel





Stray and Roaming CATS

Stray Cats will be out in numbers with the summer months approaching. Feeding stray cats can begin with noble intentions, but quickly the numbers increase. Because of irresponsible owners, there are too many cats left stray or to roam and reproduce and there are not enough homes and that is the sad reality. Contact PAWS for more information on trapping strays.

An average cat has 1-8 kittens per litter and 2-3 litters per year. During her reproductive life a female cat can have more than 100 kittens



Did you buy your 2022 Dog License?

Purchase your dog license at the Court House, online or at PAWS. All dogs must have a current license in PA.



Gentle Leaders for Sale!

Paws sells Gentle Leader head halters. We fit and show owners how to use them properly. Don't let your dog walk you...consider a gentle leader. Call for more information.



Paws and Wash Premium Bathing Services
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HOW LONG WILL YOU BE GONE?

Even ten minutes could be too long and reach 160 degrees for a pet left in a car on a hot day. That is hot enough to cause a dog to suffer heat stroke and permanent brain damage. If emergency care is not given, your pet could die.

Leaving the windows down won't cool the car enough. Of course your dog wants to go with you everywhere, but when the weather turns warm, better park your pet at home.

Road Rules Traveling with your Pet

- Plan Ahead... there are many pet friendly hotels and campgrounds; book ahead.
- Visit your vet...get a pet check-up and get written records of vaccinations to take with you.
- Update ID Tags...write your phone number in permanent marker on the collar and attach tags.
- Use a leash... don't risk your pet's life for one minute. Rest stops can be scary.



- Stop frequently... stop every two or three hours to stretch those four paws.
- Don't leave... your dog in a hotel room...hire a dog sitter or take your dog with you.
- If you must fly...take a direct flight and check with the airline on their policies with pets.



EVENTS COMING UP

May 18th Warren Gives ~
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